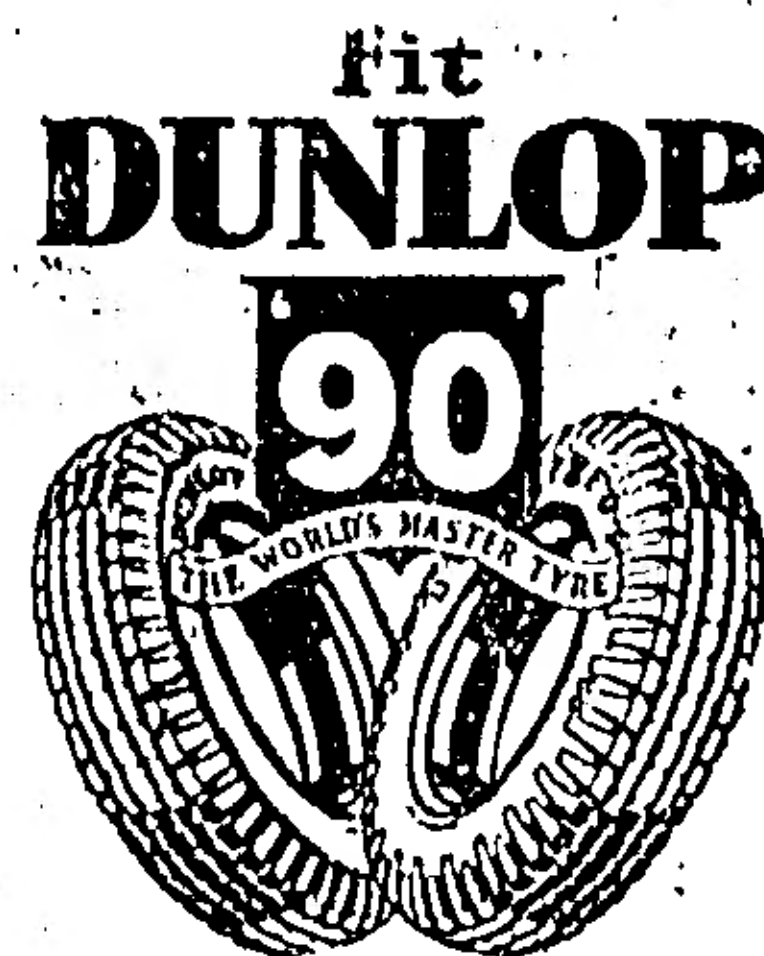


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CHINESE VICTORY IN SHANSI

2,500 Japanese Slain In All-Day Battle To West of Hsinkow

LARGE FORCE SURROUNDED BY SWIFT MOVING SUPPORT UNITS

Taiyuan, Oct. 18 (8.20 a.m.).

Scoring one of the greatest victories since hostilities extended into Shansi, the Chinese forces, during a 12-hour battle west of Hsinkow yesterday, killed over 2,500 Japanese, according to an official military despatch released here.

The invaders, originally numbering 3,000, penetrated the Chinese lines at Nanhuaishua, about 80 kilometres north of Taiyuan, but soon found themselves surrounded by crack Chinese reinforcements, which were rapidly brought up.

The Japanese fought frantically to break through the Chinese cordon, but only several hundred succeeded in escaping with their lives.

The Chinese left flank engaged the Japanese invaders all day long at Tapaishui, where both forces exchanged heavy artillery fire.

A Chinese column, moving northward yesterday, is at present engaging 1,000 Japanese in the vicinity of Taiyuan Village and Nankuo. — *Central News*.

Varieties Closed Owing To Fighting

Hankow, Oct. 18. According to a special despatch received by the Hankow Ta Kung Pao, Yenching University at Peking and Cheloo University at Tsinan, two well-known American-sponsored institutions in North China, have been closed.

Yenching University, which opened its regular academic year on September 1, despite the Japanese occupation of the ancient capital, was forced to suspend class work a few days ago as Japanese troops are reported to have visited the campus at Hsien several times and arrested a number of students.

Owing to the Japanese drive southward along the Tientsin-Peking Railway into Shantung, most of the students have left Cheloo University. The authorities decided to close the institution indefinitely. — *Central News*.

WARSHIPS GOING ON EXERCISE

Cruiser To Join Submarines In H.K. Manoeuvres

A number of His Majesty's ships on the Hongkong Station leave today for exercises in adjacent waters. With H.M.S. Dorsetshire, cruiser, and H.M.S. Thracian, destroyer, five submarines go to sea this morning. To-morrow the big aircraft carrier Eagle goes to sea to join in the manoeuvres. Her planes may be seen over Hongkong from time to time.

On Wednesday other submarines are proceeding to sea. The submarines leaving port today are: Regulus, Otampus, Rorqual, Phoenix and Perseus.

30 Japanese Warships Near Hongkong

Canton, Oct. 18 (8.35 a.m.). According to information emanating from foreign sources, 30 Japanese warships are now anchored off the South China coast in the vicinity of Hongkong. — *Central News*.

Junk Sinking Inquiry Opens

The Commission appointed to investigate the facts with reference to the alleged sinking of junks by a Japanese warship sat for the first time at the Supreme Court this morning.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Assistant Attorney General, who is in charge of the witnesses, said the Japanese Consul-General had been approached and informed when the enquiry would sit but he was not present, neither had he sent any representatives or observers to the inquiry. The Portuguese Consul-General was also similarly approached, as some of the survivors came from Macao. He was now present in Court.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and the N.D.L., had also been informed of the inquiry, but as far as he was aware no one from these companies was present.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Chief Justice Sir Athol MacGregor, the Portuguese Consul sat at Counsel's table.

Referring to the evidence, Mr. Whyatt said he would not be calling any evidence which did not observe strictly the ordinary rules of evidence, and under no circumstances would any evidence be called which was not absolutely in accordance with the practice of British courts of justice.

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China Planes Raid Japan's S'hai Lines

Shell Splinters And Bullets On Bund Spectacular And Daring Attack

Shanghai, Oct. 18.

The city passed another sleepless night in the course of which Chinese planes made seven air raids and kept the Japanese warships and shore batteries peppering the skies with anti-aircraft shells and machine-gun bullets.

Shell splinters fell on the Great Wall Memorial on the Bund while about a dozen bullets struck the wall near the windows of Reuter's office and the cable building.

The last raid, which occurred at 2.30 this morning, was the most daring and most spectacular since hostilities started. A bright moon and low-hanging clouds made conditions ideal, and more than 20 searchlights combed the skies, but never spotted the raiders, who dropped two bombs aimed at the headquarters of the Japanese garrison near Hongkew Park, though their effect at present is unknown.

Missiles, intended for the flagship Izumo fell ashore in the Japanese-occupied section of the Settlement and started a big fire. Other targets included the Yangtzepoo airfield. It is reported that an incendiary bomb fell on the \$1,000,000 Seventh-Day Adventist buildings at Yangtzepoo, starting a fire which destroyed ten houses.

Bitter Fighting

Bitter fighting raged in the Liuhang sector on Sunday, where the Chinese claim to have repulsed a fierce Japanese attack at Kwangfu, three kilometres west of Liuhang, after a four-hour battle. A semi-official Chinese report states that the Japanese lost 1,200 men in an attempt to pierce the Chinese centre and to push on to Nanhuaishua, with the idea of bottling up the Chinese forces at Chapel and Kiat-gwan, who have hitherto withstood all frontal attacks. In the course of daily "routine bombings," the Japanese attacked Soochow, famous in legendary history for its beautiful women, and damaged the railway station. — *Reuter*.

Wreck Nearly Lost in Night Blow

VICTORIOUS TROOPS REST AFTER LIUHO BATTLE



Here are a few of the crack Chinese troops who smashed through Japanese positions at Liuho recently in heavy fighting in that area. Weary, they are snatching a few minutes' rest before continuing to new positions. These are some of the shock troops of the Nanking Army.

JAPAN FORCES CLAIM STEADY NORTH ADVANCE

BUT HAVE NO WORD OF POSSIBLE REVERSES IN ISOLATED AREAS

Peiping, Oct. 17.

A Japanese armoured car unit, advancing ahead of the main forces yesterday, has entered Hantan, on the Peiping-Hankow Railway, only 22 miles north of the border of Honan, according to a Japanese military communiqué.

Further north Japanese troops have been constantly engaged with Chinese rearguards in open terrain. A Japanese report from Shichiachwang claims the capture of Tangshan, Nanho and Weichiahuang, towns a few miles to the east of the railway. Severe fighting preceded the fall of Weichiahuang, which was stoutly defended by a thousand Chinese troops.

A Japanese military spokesman yesterday afternoon announced the capture of three small villages north of Hsinhsien in Shantung, which is 23 miles south of Yuanping.

Questioned about the Nanking report that a large Japanese force is isolated in the Yuanping area, the spokesman declared: "I am un-informed of it." He also stated that he lacked information regarding the situation at Nangtze-kuan Pass "owing to the bad communications."

ACCIDENT VICTIMS PROGRESS

Mrs. Hicks Still In Serious Condition

Two of the victims of Saturday's motor-cycle accident near Shek-O are officially reported today to be making satisfactory progress and to have sustained no serious injury. They are

Lieut. Commander R. C. Hovenden, n.s., Naval Ordnance Officer; and Pay-Lieut. J. O. Britten.

Mrs. A. Hicks, widow of the former editor of the Hongkong Telegraph, is still in a serious condition, though every hope is held for her recovery. She suffered a fracture at the base of the skull.

STORY OF ACCIDENT

Mrs. Hicks had gone for a drive to Big Wave Bay with her brother-in-law, Mr. S. J. Hicks, Managing Director of Arts and Crafts, Ltd., Shanghai, and Mrs. G. J. Hicks, but after a while left them to go for a walk up the road, the arrangement (Continued on Page 4.)

PROGRESS PLEASES GERMANY

Non-Intervention Policies Of France, Britain Realistic

Berlin, Oct. 17.

A semi-official commentary indicates that Germany regards favourably yesterday's Non-Intervention Committee proceedings.

The British and French representatives' speeches show they took into account the seriousness of the situation insofar that they appeared anxious to proceed along a realistic line of policy, declared a commentator. — *Reuter*.

102 RESCUED WHEN SALVAGE SHIP ARRIVES

Luhsing Swung Into Deep Water When Shore Lines Parted

The crew of the Luhsing, numbering 52, together with 50 coolies, were near to death last night when the vessel swung from the rocks where she was driven during the typhoon of September 2, and only two shore cables prevented her slipping into 50 feet of water.

Rockets were fired and an S.O.S. sent out.

The tide and wind had swung the lightened ship, and hawsers snapped under the great strain with the freshening blow until only two were holding her precariously. She had life-saving apparatus aboard for only 70 hands.

Japanese "Barbarism" Denounced

10,000 Persons Join Demonstration In Trafalgar Square

Meeting Demands Official Action

London, Oct. 17.

Japanese "barbarism" and aggression in China were denounced at a London Labour Party and London Trades Council demonstration, attended by 10,000 people, in Trafalgar Square to-day.

Mr. Clement Attlee, Leader of the Opposition, said they had to be vigilant against the brutalisation of the world which was now going on. What they were now seeing was an attack by brutal imperialism on a nation, and there was no shadow of pretext for it.

The meeting passed a resolution calling on the British Government to prohibit Britons from selling war materials or lending money to Japan, and to co-operate with other nations in imposing economic financial pressure designed to end Japanese aggression. — *Reuter*.

CONGRATULATE ROOSEVELT

London, Oct. 17.

A mass meeting of over 2,000, including the Lord Mayor, held at Hull to-day, cabled a message congratulating President Roosevelt on proclaiming democracy a positive ideal, and advocated closer unity of all free-dom-loving nations. — *Reuter*.

China Accepts Invitation To Conference

Nanking, Oct. 18.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, has sent a telegram to the Belgian Government, formally accepting the invitation to attend the forthcoming Nine-Power Treaty Conference scheduled to open at Brussels on October 30.

The Chinese message expresses hope for the early success of the conference and the re-establishment of peace and order in the Far East in accordance with international law and justice. — *Central News*.

STOP PRESS

New sports' clothes change from checks to tartan...

SUMMING-UP OF THE PARIS SHOWS



Slits up the side of this dark green cape divide the front into two loose panels; you can either put your arms through the slits and let the cape hang straight, or throw back the panels over your shoulders like the ends of a scarf. Shoulders are shaped and the cape fastens at the neck.

Underneath it... a suit, also in green tweed. Straight skirt has a box pleat in front; jacket buttons high and is finished off with diagonal rows of stitching. Brown leather buttons match belt and bag; woollen shirt is in red and green tartan.

TRANSFORMING OLD COATS

HAVE you in your wardrobe one of those belted tweed coats which you wore a few years ago? It is probably unfashionable, but too good to dispense with. Why not make it into a wrap-over skirt to wear with a pretty jumper?

Take out the lining of the coat, if there is one, stitch up the hem again, and cut the coat across just below the armholes (not any lower at first). Remove the buckle from the belt, but do not unhook the belt and do not take off the coat buttons.

Lay the coat—which we may now call the skirt—on a table, button it

up, marking with pins or chalk the exact length required, and cut again.

Next take your waist measurement, alter the buttons to correspond, allowing a couple of inches for "easing," and stitch one, or if necessary two, pairs of press-studs to the edge of the wrap below the buttons.

The belt can now be tacked on to the skirt, placing the shaped end to the front edge of wrap, and allowing a slight fullness across the back. Try the skirt on, and if it fits correctly stitch the waistband in position, making it neat with tape or bias binding.

Stitch hooks and eyes at the outer and inner edges of the wrap at waist. Press and your skirt is finished.

C.H.

Contrast of Plaid and Plain

comes out in this short, boxy coat worn over a plain tweed suit.

The coat in blue and red-plaid, is collarless, with inset sleeves and four stitched, slanting pockets. The skirt under it is plain blue, and the blue collar comes outside the box coat.

Jacket has four pockets, also slanting, a belt with a red buckle, and a surprise when the topcoat comes off—sleeves and back in the plaid.

(That's to make a contrast when you wear the suit alone.) Tartan shirt matches tartan wool stockings and gloves.

Buttons are quickly emphasised by being made in leather or carved wood, generally to match belts and square box handbags.

Picking out the points... Neckers Are High—sometimes collarless cardigan jackets; woollen shirts appear more often than jumpers.

Lapels Are Prominent—tartan or striped on plain suits and the other way round.

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TASTY Ways with APPLES

APPLES are plentiful just now, and apart from eating them raw, there are many ways of using this nutritious fruit.

Here is an economical and appetising apple jelly. You will only need the parings, cores, and pips of the apples; the remainder of the fruit can be stewed and served with custard.

Put the parings, pips, and cores in water—you will want enough to float them for 12 hours. In the morning, boil for quarter of an hour, and let the liquid run through a jelly bag without being pressed. Add one pound of sugar to a pint of juice.

Put a little root ginger into a muslin bag and drop it into the juice, which must boil steadily for 30 minutes, then remove the ginger and boil for another three-quarters of an hour. Test to see if the jelly is stiff and clear, as if so, it is ready.

Sweet apples make a popular item on the menu. Take some large cooking apples, which must be peeled, cored, and poached in a syrup of sugar. When you have drained the apples, put them on some portions of sponge cake. A cup of lemon juice, a little more sugar, and a spoonful of any kind of fresh fruit juice should then be added to the syrup.

Sift the syrup carefully until the sugar is dissolved, then boil very quickly for 12 minutes, and pour it over the apples when cold. Place some whipped cream on top.

Appetising Salads

A tasty salad is made by paring some apples and mixing them with watercress, with a dressing of lemon juice and grated coconut skinned on top.

For a still more original apple salad, take some apple slices, remove the cores, and soak the slice in French dressing. Replace the cores with olives, which have been stuffed with cream cheese, and line a salad bowl with chopped celery and lettuce. Then place the apples on top.

Pastry apples are delicious:—When you have peeled some apples take out the cores. You will then need a good short pastry, which should be made with $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of butter, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of flour, a teaspoonful of baking powder, and the yolk of an egg. This pastry should not be too moist, so be sparing with water in mixing.

An apple is then placed in a round of the pastry, and when the hole in the middle of the apple has been filled up with sugar, the pastry is wrapped round, and baked in a hot oven for about three-quarters of an hour. Medium sized apples should be used for this sweet.

BUDGET YOUR LEISURE

AUTUMN is the time to plan ahead for winter and make sure that spare time does not trickle away unprofitably. Most people make some sort of financial budget, which they revise from time to time, but they do not always think of making out an estimate for leisure.

A busy woman can generally find time to do something extra. This is because necessity has taught her to organize her life. It is the more leisured person who always means to learn a new language, but never gets further than buying a grammar book; who intends to do some serious reading, but fails to finish a chapter of a book; who plans to take more exercise—but cannot manage to fit it in.

Anything resembling a fixed timetable which covered every hour of recreation would, of course, be intolerable. It is only necessary to make a list of the pursuits on which you mean to spend regular time during the coming winter. Then decide how much leisure you can afford to devote to each.

Suppose, for example, that improving your French, doing some embroidery, reading, and getting extra fresh air make up your list. Determine to allot twenty minutes a day to French study, twenty minutes to embroidery, twenty minutes to walking and time for reading in the evening.

If you are unable to give the full time to a subject one day, more must be devoted to it the next, so that by the end of the week the account is balanced.

Twenty minutes a day mounts up to two hours a week (allowing for free Sundays), and to fifty-two hours in six months. This length of time spent on any worth-while occupation should produce gratifying results.

Good resolutions often fail to be productive because they are too lofty or too vague. A less ambitious resolve written down and checked up regularly is much more likely to bear good fruit.

The leisure budget can also include small matters to which attention need be given once a week only. The fact that they are actually in the estimate will make just the difference as to whether they are done regularly or only when you feel energetic.

Do not forget to check the leisure account at the week-end. All spare time not earmarked for special purposes is, of course, written off to general recreation.

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Genius Discovered in Prison Cell

Ex-Convict's Poems Praised by Famous Critic

'Keepsake' Tribute to His Friend

THE Telegraph to-day gives extracts from letters written in Brixton Gaol by an ex-Dartmoor convict to Sir John Squire, poet and critic.

Sir John believes that in this once "branded" man he has found a literary genius. The letters reveal his innermost thoughts, his unquenchable faith in his own destiny, and his deep affection for a friend.

It was Sir John's appeal to the London Recorder at the Old Bailey last month that saved this ex-convict, 35-year-old Frank Arthur Stanley, of Southport, from another term of penal servitude.

Stanley was found guilty of house-breaking and of being an habitual criminal, but in response to Sir John's appeal he was bound over and left the court—free to take up a literary career and determined never again to come within the shadow of prison.

Recently he began to write a book dealing with his prison experiences. Mr. Peter Davies, the publisher and original of Barrie's "Peter Pan," will publish it.

Short, dark-haired, brown-eyed and spectacled, Stanley has not the traditional appearance of a poet and writer, but his letters written from Brixton Prison to Sir John reveal his literary ability.

GIFT OF ROSARY

"The time is now drawing near," he wrote, "when I shall stand my trial at the Old Bailey. But I'm not over anxious about it—just a bit 'nervy,' which is quite understandable."

"As I have said to you before, I am determined, whatever the outcome, to face up to it as you would expect me to."

Another letter deals with his friend "Patsy."

"I have been trying," Stanley wrote, "to remember some more poetry for you. One is called 'Keepsake.' I wrote it after I was paroled from Patsy."

"He was a Catholic, and he gave me a rosary which had been given him by a monk from the Trappist monastery at Mount Mellany, near Wexford. He gave it me for a keepsake; and now it is lying unheeded in a drawer at home."

LIVED FOR POETRY

In his cell at Brixton Stanley lived for poetry.

"I was still thinking of Patsy last night," he wrote on, "and I remembered an appropriate verse from one of Adam Lindsay Gordon's poems—"

"I said, 'There is no greater bliss for those in heaven than dwell I lost him and I said there is 'No fiercer pang in Hell.'"

"Foolish to think about it like that, you say. Yes, I know; but I also thought of another fragment of A. L. G.'s—something about 'And my hope is fled.' I said to myself, 'Well, that's something of Gordon's which does not suit my case.'"

"I also remembered the immortal words of Emerson, 'Let the soul be assured that somewhere in the universe it will rejoin its friend, and it will remain happy and contented alone for a thousand years.'"

CRITIC 'IMPRESSED'

"That has brought me comfort many times—much more so, in fact, than the oft-repeated text 'I will restore the years that the locusts have eaten.' Does it ever work out like that?"

This is the writing of a man whom Sir John Squire decided could be reclaimed from a life of crime.

"I knew nothing about Stanley until he began sending me examples of his poems and writing some months ago," Sir John told a reporter.

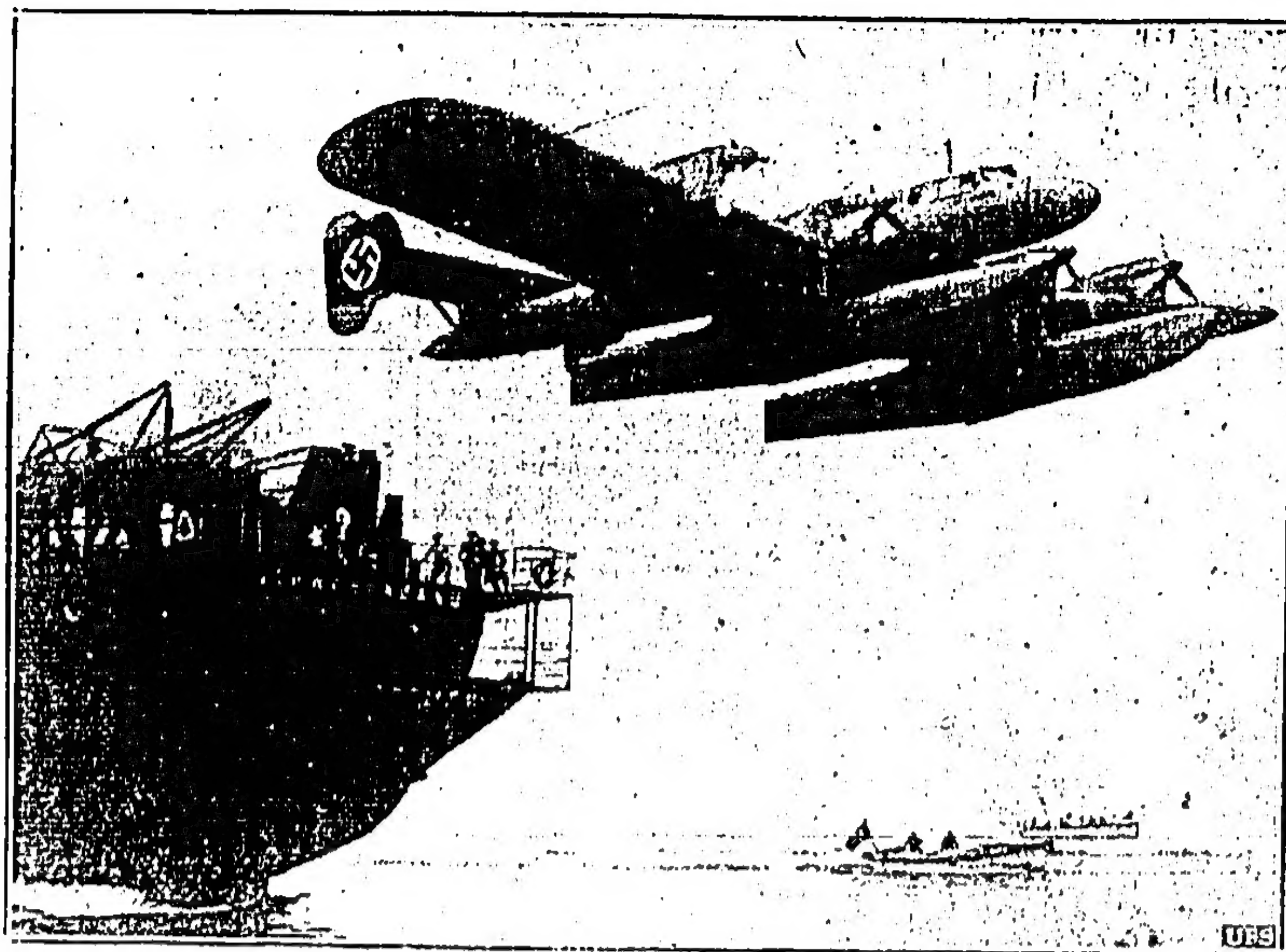
"They came like a bolt out of the blue, and I was deeply impressed by their merit and originality," Stanley left school when he was 14.

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Nordmeer, Germany's survey plane, catapulted from the deck of the mother ship Schwabenland, as the plane took off on the second leg of its first round-trip flight between Germany and New York by way of the Azores. The take-off was near Larchmont, in Long Island Sound. The sister ship, Nordwind, saluted the Nordmeer just before it began winding its flight over the ocean.

"THERE goes the richest woman in the world." A New York Reporter was standing in Greenwich, the city's smartest suburb, when a friend made that remark to him. He looked for a diamond-studded heiress in a limousine. Instead he saw an old woman in a dark, old-fashioned dress, with a cane in one hand and shopping bag in the other. He introduces you to her below:—

Richest Woman Has Only One Luxury—A Bodyguard

NOT one in ten thousand Americans has heard of Mrs. Matthew Astor Wilks. Yet she is one of the richest women in the world if not the richest.

Society, which she scorns, believes that she could buy up all the wealth of Countess Haugwitz-Reventlow (the former Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress) and still have a comfortable fortune left.

Mrs. Wilks is the only daughter of Hetty Green, Witch of Wall-street, who made millions out of stocks before she died in 1916.

As well as inheriting Hetty Green's fabulous wealth she inherited her distaste for personal glory.

LIVES ALONE IN 30-ROOM HOUSE

A few minutes after my friend had pointed her out to me in a Greenwich street, she climbed into a small and unpretentious car at the curb and drove off to her home, a thirty-roomed half-timbered mansion, where she lives alone except for a few servants and her beloved collie dog.

From the other side of the street another car started off.

"Her private detectives," my friend informed me, "The old lady has become nervous lately."

This bodyguard might be termed Mrs. Wilks's one extravagance and sole claim to importance.

She likes to move about her home town without being noticed. She takes no part in community activities except to post an occasional contribution to the Firemen's Association.

Once she dropped into a real estate office to buy some property, but that was to prevent the opening of a cemetery opposite her house. She has no yacht, no box at the opera, and very little jewelry.

She owns property in New York, St. Louis, Boston, gold mines, paper mills, and stocks and bonds in every American railroad.

She is related to such socially distinguished families as the Astors, Cabots, Lodges, and Lawrences,

but she dines alone almost every night.

A few months ago she walked into the courts to file her claim to the £16,000,000 estate of her brother, Colonel Edward Green. The colonel's widow thought she was entitled to the fortune, but Mrs. Wilks produced an agreement showing that Mrs. Green, on her marriage, had signed away her rights to this fortune for an annuity of £3,000.

'PUT ME DOWN AS FIFTY'

Mrs. Wilks's anger was roused when Isaac Pennypacker, attorney for Colonel Green's widow, asked: "How old are you?"

Mrs. Wilks snapped back: "Put me down as over fifty, and let it go at that."

A few minutes later there was a pause in the proceedings, and Mrs. Wilks, still glaring at the lawyer, demanded: "While you are standing there doing nothing, give me your name and age, please."

The lawyer bowed. "My name is Pennypacker," he said, "and I am also over fifty."

"Humph," snorted Mrs. Wilks, "you look a lot older."

It reminded old-timers of Hetty Green's famous court scene when she was in danger of losing several thousand dollars through the eloquence of an opposing lawyer.

In the middle of his plaintive speech she rocked the courtroom with laughter by applying a pillowcase to her eyes and sobbing derisively. "He is breaking my heart."

SHE NEVER WENT TO DANCES

When Hetty Green lay dying just over twenty years ago Mrs. Wilks was to disfigure two nurses as seamstresses so that her mother would not worry over the medical bill.

From girlhood days Mrs. Wilks has been accustomed to strictest economy. She never attended dances. Lights at home were always put out at 7.30. She spent her summers in a barred and shuttered house in Bellows Falls, Vermont.

Her colonel-brother rebelled. Tired of his mother's meanness he spent



An English engineer Duveck has invented a "mechanical Bellocman." The apparatus which is said to be able to answer all possible questions regarding London of interest to a tourist, is to be erected in the English capital. The inventor is here seen with his apparatus.

The Army Must Have Horses

THE Army cannot do without horses.

"Mock" battles in East Anglia proved this.

With hardly a horse or mule in action, the problem of petrol supplies, maintenance, and transport hampered the troops.

Bombing of headquarters and cars of the First Division created—in the minds of umpires—an urgent need for horses for the staff. There were none available.

Loss by bombing of the transport of a brigade emphasised the importance of horses, while the forfeiture of cookers and much equipment placed a great handicap on the work of the infantry.

much of his fortune in high living. But even he could not escape the Green influence. Although he threw away millions he would never have the roof of one of his estates repaired. Every time it rained servants hung up bunches of Turkish towelling to soak up the water.

Villagers Claim Long Life Record

Partridge Green

(Sussex), Sept. 20.

THERE is no joke about the oldest inhabitant in this little village that nestles in the Sussex Weald.

Because Partridge Green prides itself on not one, but a dozen old inhabitants, whose ages total nearly 1,000 years.

The village claims a world's record for longevity.

Fourteen per cent. of its inhabitants are over 70 years old. The average figure for the whole of England and Wales of people over 70 is only four per cent. of the population.

But to-day Partridge Green is mourning its centenarian, Mrs. Charlotte Goodwin, who has died at the age of 102.

A YOUNGSTER OF 90

When Mrs. Goodwin died, Mr. C. Pile became the oldest inhabitant. He is 96—older than his own mother-in-law—and every day he walks a mile across the common.

He is just a year older than the Rev. A. Johnson, a retired clergyman. Mr. Johnson, patriarch of an adoring family, is 95 as fit as a fiddle. And so is Mr. Tom Ling. But then Mr. Ling is only a youngster of 90, with a girl wife of 88. They have been married for 60 years.

"I wouldn't live in any other village in the country," said Mr. Ling. "It's a fine, healthy place... and the beer here is wonderful."

"I've only missed my daily quart once in the last 50 years."

"I used to take more than that," he murmured, "but I'm getting on, and I have been advised to cut it down a bit."

"That's my recipe for old age. Good beer and plenty of bread and cheese."

Hero Blows Up Dump As Japanese Advance

The annals of Chinese martial history have been added to by a front line observer at Nankow, who has brought back the heroic tale of the lone survivor of a Chinese battalion which was completely wiped out in the sanguinary fighting at the Great Wall pass recently.

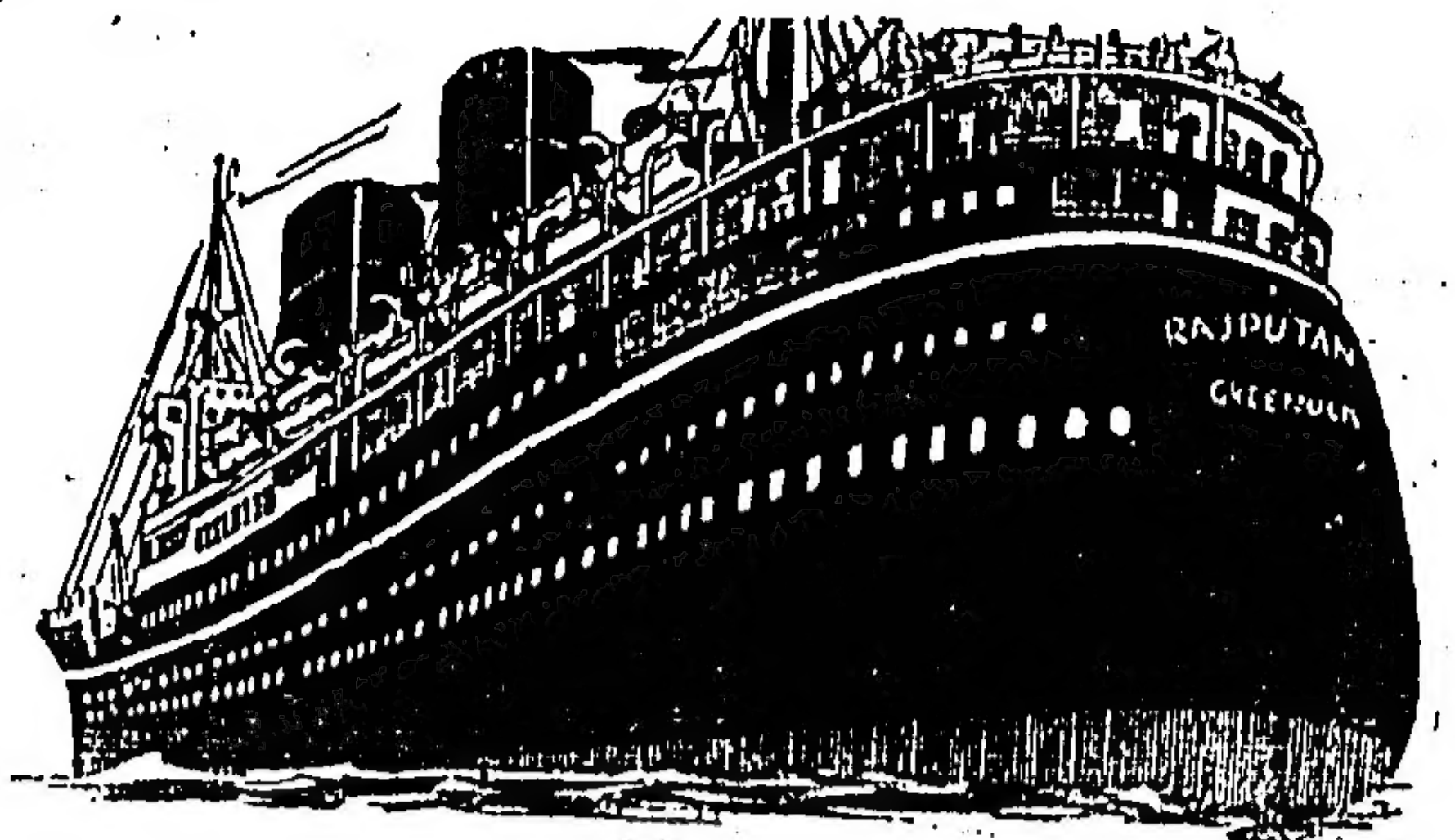
The soldier was one of several hundred holding a strategic position in the rocky crags around the Pass, stubbornly fighting back wave after wave of Japanese attacks for many consecutive days. Shells, snipers, machine-gun bullets and aeroplane bombs from the attacking Japanese forces finally reduced the battalion to the one soldier and a large quantity of hand-grenades, machine-gun ammunition, rifle bullets, and other supplies.

Taking stock of the situation, the lone survivor decided that although he would not be able to stop the final Japanese offensive that was sure to come, it would not do for the supplies to fall into Japanese hands.

With the aid of dry batteries and wires from a field communications outfit, he improvised a rough detonator out of hand grenades. He then piled the remaining hand grenades and ammunition over this, concealed the wires, and retreated to a nearby hill, from which point he kept a close watch on the Japanese movements.

Early the next morning, the Japanese launched their final drive, and the discovery of the pile of ammunition and grenades attracted a squad of the attackers. At an opportune moment, the lone survivor set his apparatus to work and blew up the pile of explosives, killing all Japanese soldiers within a radius of many yards.

The survivor, whose name has not been disclosed, has been given a handsome reward for his heroic act.



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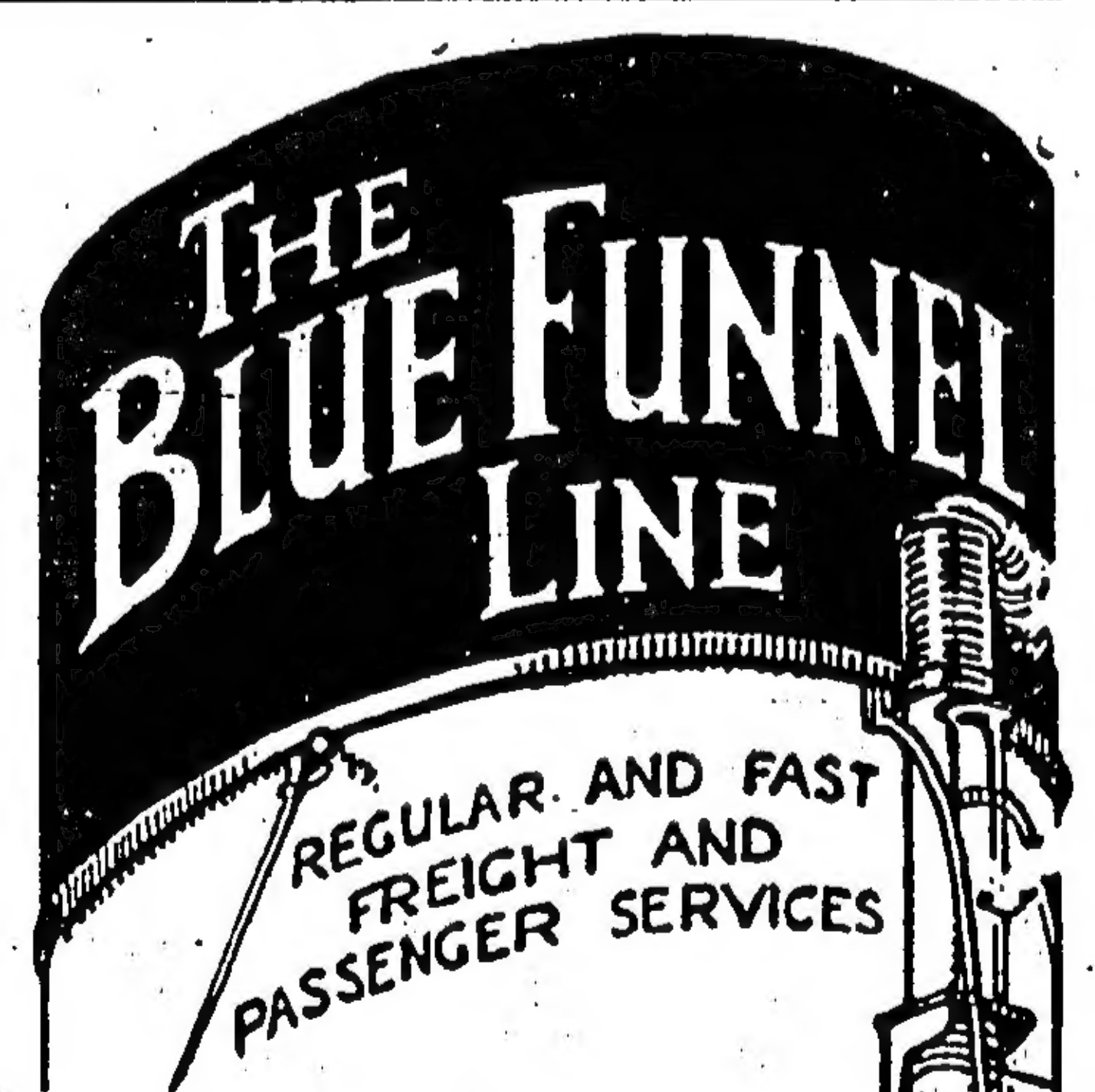
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JAPANESE ADVANCE IN SHUNTEH

Capital Of Shansi Threatened

Peiping, Oct. 17 (8.37 a.m.). Pressing southward towards the Honan border, the Japanese troops claim that they reached Shunteh along the Peiping-Hankow Railway on Friday afternoon, with very little opposition from the Chinese, the majority of whom have withdrawn further south.—Reuter.

FALL OF YUANPING

Peiping, Oct. 17 (8.37 a.m.). Despite the Chinese claims of victory in the Yuanping area in North Shansi, the Japanese reports assert that the town has been in Japanese hands for two weeks. They state that nine Chinese aeroplanes appeared over Yuanping yesterday afternoon of which two were shot down by anti-aircraft guns.

They now admit that Hsinhsien which is reported to have been captured by the Japanese, is still held by Chinese troops.—Reuter.

LACK OF ARTILLERY

Peiping, Oct. 17 (8.10 a.m.). The Japanese report from Shih-chiehuan that a three-hour artillery bombardment, which blasted the Chinese rear-guard out of their trenches, preceded the fall of Shunteh, after which the Japanese resumed their advance southward.

According to foreign reports from the Peiping-Hankow Railway zone, the Chinese officers attribute their defeat entirely to their lack of artillery support.—Reuter.

TAIYUANFU THREATENED

Taiyuanfu, capital of Shansi, is threatened by the further advance of the Japanese force approaching from the east along the Railway from Shih-chiehuan, north of Taiyuanfu. It is stated that the Japanese are about to attack Hsinhsien, where a large Chinese force has concentrated.—Reuter.

HEAVY JAPANESE CASUALTIES

Taiyuanfu, Oct. 17. With the capture of Pingyuanwan on October 13 and the successes at Niangtszekwan, the Chinese forces are continuing to rapidly push back the Japanese invaders on both the northern and eastern fronts in Shansi.

Launching a three counter-offensive north of Chikow, the Chinese dealt a severe blow to the Japanese yesterday when a number of villages were re-taken. The Japanese casualties during the last three days are estimated at 5,000. Eight Japanese tanks were destroyed and a huge quantity of military supplies were seized by the Chinese on the Hsiang-nan-chuan-Kungchichuan front.

Eight hundred Japanese who attempted to rush Koukwan Pass, south of Niangtszekwan Pass, on October 14, have been repulsed.

Major hostilities on the eastern front are expected at any moment. Smashing the Japanese lines between Yihsten and Lalyuan, the Chinese on Saturday afternoon re-captured Tsiyungkwan Pass.

The Chinese also captured 70 Japanese trucks loaded with food-stuffs and supplies between Kwan-ling and Lingchiu in eastern Shansi. Many of the 100 Japanese carriers, who were accompanying the caravan, were killed when they were attacked in the hilly region.

During the fighting north-west of Yuanping on October 13, the Japanese lost over 800 men while the Chinese lost 300, including 22 officers.—Central News.

JAPANESE DEFENCES DESTROYED

Taiyuanfu, Oct. 17. Chinese military headquarters announced today that all of the important Japanese military defences around Kuohsien and Yuanping have been effectively destroyed by Chinese planes during the last two days.

The main communication systems in the northern section of the province, including the trunk highway, have been bombed, thus isolating the Japanese units over a scattered front.—Central News.

JAPANESE SURROUNDED

Nanking, Oct. 17. Chinese reports declare that desperate fighting is going on in North Shansi where Chinese troops, supported by aircraft and artillery, made a determined attack late last night against 40,000 Japanese troops surrounding Yuanping, Taichow and Kwehsien.

While the Chinese were advancing from points south of Yuanping, two flanks completely encircled the Japanese. Japanese aeroplanes dropped messages to the encircled troops, saying "Hold your positions at any cost. Reinforcements will arrive on Sunday."

In the meantime a mobile Chinese column advancing from North Shansi, had pushed in the direction of Yihsten and Kaopellen, on the Peiping-Hankow railway north of Peiping to cut the railway behind the Japanese lines.

Chinese reports declare that a small Japanese unit made a surprise raid and entered Niangtszekwan some days ago, but was immediately repulsed. Chinese troops are now holding the East Shansi Pass.—Reuter.

LEADERS KILLED

Peiping, Oct. 17. Severe fighting is going on in North Shansi where the Chinese are throwing every resource into a determined drive against the Japanese in the Yuanping area.

The sanguinary nature of the fighting is indicated by the fact that Gen. Ho Men-ling, Commander of the Nanking division, a brigadier and two regimental commanders were killed in action last night when Chinese officers and men alike stormed the Japanese lines in furious onslaught.—Reuter.

U.S. Expected To Adopt Firm Stand

Washington, Oct. 16. Two circumstances cause well-informed circles to believe that the United States will take a strong stand at the Nine Power Conference: firstly, the prompt acceptance of the invitation without it being specified whether the Conference is restricted to signatories or is to include Powers such as Soviet Russia and Germany, and secondly, the strong personnel of the American delegation.

It is understood that the Government is not particular what Powers are invited, but it is prepared to co-operate with anybody willing to share in mediation in the conflict.

The terms of the invitation were, "To examine the situation in the Far East and to study peaceable means for hastening the end of the regrettable conflict."

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, stated that he understood that invitations sent for the first meeting at any rate were confined to signatories of the Treaty.—Reuter.

AGENDA NOT KNOWN

Washington, Oct. 17. The invitation has not clarified whether the conference will be attended by only the signatories of the Nine Power Peace Pact or also adherents to the Kellogg-Brand pact.

Mr. Hull does not know what is on the agenda. It is indicated that the delegation might not confer with President Roosevelt before their departure.

Well-informed Government circles foresee the deepest involvement of the United States "for concerted world action" in the Brussels Conference since 1919, as the conference is to be held simultaneously with a Congress special session, at which the Neutrality Act is certain to be extensively discussed. The fact that the United States acted very swiftly and has hastened the dispatching of the delegation to Brussels, indicates two facts:

Firstly, President Roosevelt desires that the conference be launched before the special session of Congress and hopes that action will be decided by the Conference to last tentatively before the session;

Secondly, it shows his desire to initiate action before the Japanese forces have penetrated further into North China.

REQUEST FOR TRUCE

The diplomats generally believe that the first step will be a request for a truce of actual hostilities. It is considered that the less Chinese territory which Japan occupies up to the time of the truce, the fewer bargaining points Japan will have for deciding the actual peace conditions.

In this connection, well-informed diplomats point out that Mr. Norman Davis has long been considered as a leading exponent of "real politics" of which Germany and Britain are the leading exponents. It is believed that "a practical situation" is sought. It is surmised that probably it will include some concessions to Japan, such as a guarantee against anti-Japanese boycotts in China and the withdrawal of the Japanese troops, probably to the Great Wall.

They believe that Roosevelt's greatest desire is for an entire Far Eastern speedy settlement so as to leave him free to deal in Congress with domestic problems as well as the growing protest against the new international co-operation policy.

Political opposition is expected, especially from the proponents of United States neutrality.—United Press.

PITTMAN'S VIEW

New York, Oct. 17. The New York Times publishes an interview with Senator Key Pittman at his home in Reno. He hopes for the success of the Brussels conference and says it is devoutly to be wished that Japan will listen to the advice of so many friendly governments and bow to their judgment.

"Should Japan, unhappily, be obstinate and obstinate and continue her warfare in China against the judgment of such governments," he adds "then Japan should be ostracized, not only by members of the League, but by all civilized countries."—Reuter.

INVITATION TO CHINA

Nanking, Oct. 17 (8.37 a.m.). Through the Belgian Embassy, China has received an invitation to attend the Far East Conference in Brussels on October 30. China's acceptance is a foregone conclusion.—Reuter.

WHAT SUPPORT?

Shanghai, Oct. 17. While China's acceptance to take part in the conference is regarded as a matter of course, observers here are speculating whether Great Britain, the United States and France, in offering their mediation, will support China for the status quo ante the Lukouchiao incident or suggest some other compromise.

It is predicted here that China expects backing of the three Powers in halting Japanese invasions and creation of puppet regimes and that anything short of this expectation will make it difficult for responsible Chinese leaders to accept.—International News.

SOVIET POLICY SIMILAR

Pittsburgh, Oct. 17. Earl Browder has unqualifiedly approved President Roosevelt's speech delivered at Chicago on world peace problems. He said: "For years the Soviet Union has been pressing for just such a policy. The Soviet will give full co-operation."—United Press.

HEAVY BOMBING RAIDS

Kating Practically Demolished

Shanghai, Oct. 17 (9.10 a.m.)

Fourteen Japanese aeroplanes have dropped over 30 bombs into western Changhai since 8 o'clock this morning, concentrating their attack on the railway line behind the North Station.

Observation planes have crossed the Settlement boundary and are reconnoitering over Hungjiao and other places.—United Press.

UNIVERSITY MENACED

Shanghai, Oct. 17 (11 a.m.)

Three Japanese aeroplanes dropped six bombs about a mile north and slightly east of St. John's University.—United Press.

STATIONS BOMBED AGAIN

Shanghai, Oct. 17.

Japanese bombing planes subjected Soochow and Kashing stations to another attack to-day.

Two empty freight coaches and a number of sections of the tracks at Soochow were damaged. A huge bomb was dropped at Kashing damaging part of the station building.—Central News.

HOUSES DESTROYED

Shanghai, Oct. 17.

Forty houses in Chenju, west of Shanghai, were destroyed to-day in the course of a Japanese air raid. Four civilians were killed and six injured.

Over 10 incendiary bombs were dropped along Chungshan Road, causing a number of fires in the nearby villages.—Central News.

KATING NEARLY WIPED OUT

Shanghai, Oct. 17.

Kating, a small town 12 miles north-west of Shanghai, has been nearly wiped out following three days of Japanese aerial bombardment.

It is estimated that at least 100 bombs have been dropped in the town, running most of the buildings and killing and wounding many civilians.

As most of the remaining residents have fled, it is stated that Kating at present resembles a "dead city."—Central News.

PASSENGER TRAIN BOMBED

Hankow, Oct. 17.

Fifteen passengers were killed and 20 injured this morning when three Japanese bombers released six bombs outside of Changian Station on the Shanghai-Hankow-Ningbo Railway. Two of the coaches were smashed to pieces.—Central News.

BOMBS IN HONAN

Kaifeng, Honan, Oct. 17.

Over 100 civilians were killed and injured at Changien, in northern Honan, on October 14 when several Japanese planes dropped some 20 bombs on the city.

KWANGSI ATTACKED

Canton, Oct. 16.

Besides Wuchow and Kweilin, Nanning was also bombed to-day by several giant bombers, which took off from the Honan Japanese seaplane carrier, located at Kiangsi, South-west of Kwangtung, according to a wireless message from Wuchow.

There are several foreigners in Wuchow, mostly missionaries, and their fate is not yet known. There are only several high angle machine-guns in Wuchow and Nanning and are not effective against the Japanese bombers, flying at high altitude.

The message carrier that Kwangsi planes at Luchow took off to intercept the Japanese attackers, but the results of the air duel were not stated. Kwangsi has a fleet of rather old British-made fighters and several biplanes brought from Japan.

Fearing that Japanese planes will bomb Wuchow again, the people there were reported to have migrated to the country. The first air raid was usual created the worst panic among the civil population, and ground fire was not accurate. No Japanese planes were brought down.

It is learned here that Kweilin, being the provincial seat, has better air defences than other Kwangsi cities. Kwangsi leaders chose Kweilin as the new capital owing to its remoteness from the coast, and there are big caves which are natural shelters from air raids. The military authorities utilized the bombing to stir up more volunteers from the militia for the Shanghai and North China fronts.—Special.

NO BOMBING

Canton, Oct. 17.

According to a telegram from foreign sources in Wuchow, there was no bombing there yesterday as reported in Chinese semi-official sources.—Reuter.

JEAN BATTEN HELD UP

Darwin, Oct. 17.

Miss Jean Batten, the New Zealand aviator, has arrived here, but owing to excessive oil consumption necessitating a complete overhaul of her machine, she will not leave until Tuesday.—Reuter Bulletin.

Three Raiders Shot Down

Taiyuanfu, Oct. 17.

Three Japanese planes are reported to have been shot down yesterday. One was hit while raiding Taiyuanfu and the other two crashed five miles north of Tachuan.

All the occupants were killed. A Japanese bomber was brought down on October 11 in Pinglinghsien by a Chinese official who shot the raider with an ordinary rifle.

The official is Mr. Wang Chi-chien, a representative of the Military Affairs Commission at Nanking who was conveying a shipment of military supplies for Taiyuanfu. He was travelling in a motor car with the supplies when suddenly the plane swooped out of the sky and sprayed the highway with machine-gun bullets.

Defying death, Mr. Wang got out of the car and fired at the plane, which was flying very low with his rifle. The plane was struck, crashing to the ground nearby. The two Japanese airmen were immediately killed.

A number of important maps and documents were found in the wrecked machine.—Central News.

LONDON'S ALL-NIGHT LIFE

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where I had to sign a printed form stating that I had lost my invitation.

"O.K." and Initials

A FOURTH party let me in without this formality, once they had telephoned to verify the fact that I had a wine order. The porter there scribbled "O.K." and his initials on a card, and that I kept to serve as my introduction to a fifth.

So I was able to go from one party to another. Half of them told me they had given up cabaret "for August," but two admitted that the real reason was fear of heavy fines.

One "host" said: "Risky songs pay us just as well as nudity, and they're cheaper. Strip-tease and fan-dancing are too risky now."

His comment was confirmed by my taxi-driver, who said to me: "A month ago you could have seen all you could see in Paris, or more, in a dozen places round here. Now I couldn't take you to one. They've got the wind up."

SUBMARINE MENACE

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accused of "trouble during the preceding night."

We were small, insignificant to outward seeming. Actually, we were a destroyer. Because of our worthlessness as a torpedo boat, we were fair target for Fritz's guns. Or so we hoped—through many months. Then, one dawn, our hopes frayed.

Fritz inspected us suspiciously through his periscope. He questioned around us at close range, and we could have bagged him with depth-charges, but preferred to make sure the name party abandoned ship in the event of a torpedo being thrown.

Apparently she was now holed, derelict. Probably Fritz needed target practice, or maybe he wanted stores.

He opened fire, hit us repeatedly, and we set off smoke-boxes to give the impression we were desperate and ablaze. He came nearer until he was within point-blank range.

He intended to question the boats, which laid off about a thousand yards away, but "Up guns!" was the order and our camouflage dropped. The guns leaped out. They were trained in a flash.

Before the first disguising plate was down Fritz started to submerge, obviously with the intention of giving us a torpedo, but a shell got him in a vulnerable spot, preventing him from diving.

He then turned, desperately, to fight. One 4.1 gun against our two four-inchers. We hit him again. He hit us, and, finding the duel grew hot, we suddenly increased to full speed and gave him our bow.

We carved a rent in his whaleback and he dived, but as he did so we depth-charged him. This brought him up, and he got the bow again. We lobbed two more 4-inch common shells into his vitals, and the resultant amount of oil was genuine, not faked. There were no survivors!

It seems to me that if the present submarine menace is to be satisfactorily scotched, some such method will again have to be employed. The correct answer to treachery under these circumstances is counter-treachery.

If an obviously armed vessel shows up within the submarine's range of vision the submarine makes off. But the moment the vessel is seen to be easily re-visited to the betterment of our submarine cause.

FISHERMEN REPORTED KILLED

Japanese Destroyer Fires On Junks

Swabue, Oct. 17.

A Japanese destroyer opened fire on two Chinese fishing junks 30 miles west of here on October 13 and fatally injured two fishermen, according to a member of the crew who returned here to-day.

Four fishing vessels, believed to be registered in Hongkong, left here for the Colony with 20 people on board. Off the coast of Ping Hai, they met a Japanese destroyer, which ordered them to heave to. A pinnace with an officer and eight armed ratings on board was lowered from the warship and rowed towards one of the fishing boats.

The destroyer fired a machine gun on two of the boats and mortally injured two men.

Fishermen who have returned here state that between Hongkong and Swabue they have seen disabled fishing smacks and wreckage, which suffered heavily at the hands of Japanese warships.—International News.

RADIO BROADCAST

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11.10 a.m. A Religious Service (Baptist), from Haven Green Church, Easting, London.

3 p.m. Big Ben, "Songs of the Cities." 3.30 p.m. The BBC Empire Orchestra.

4.30 p.m. The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.30 p.m.

4.45 p.m. "Long-distance Listening." 6.45 p.m. Big Ben, Organ Recital by A. J. Baker, from Central Hall, Bristol.

7 p.m. "Crying the Neck." The Harvest Home at Troloway, Cornwall.

7.30 p.m. "Palace of Varieties." 8.30 p.m. Musical Concert.

9 p.m. Empire Exchange.

10.15 p.m. Some Popular Numbers, played on the xylophone and vibraphone by Ruddy Stritta, accompanied by Jack Clarke at the piano.

9.30 p.m. The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 9.30 p.m.

10.15 p.m. Big Ben, "The Old Foss at Home" (Musical Serenade).

11 p.m. Green Fields and Pavements—3. 11.15 p.m. Recital by Zara Nelson (Canadian Violoncellist).

11.30 p.m. Students' Songs.

12 a.m. The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 12 a.m.

12.22 a.m. "A Mint of Money." 12.30 a.m. Quincey Heaven, at the Organ of the Granada, Wexham.

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THE APOLOGISTS

The Japanese apologists have made much of the "holy war" theme lately. It has been their contention that Japan is fighting for principles, not for glory, or acquisition or the opportunity to expand, or anything so mundane. The outcry against the threat of Bolshevism to Japan, allegedly creeping into China from Russia, has caught the ear of the Japanese public, has been popularly received, and the chorus has swelled and may rise higher. For it is human nature to believe what one wants to believe; and the Japanese are human, in spite of the doubt in Chinese minds. The appearance of the apologists, however, may be a confession of weakness, or better, of doubt. Man, when confronted by the need for decision relating to conduct, generally makes his choice according to his conscience. If he takes a step thoughtlessly, and commits himself completely, he will defend his actions against all and any criticism, and will cast about for reasonable excuses. Happy is the conscience-stricken who can find an excuse ready to hand. He frequently becomes an apologist. Apologists usually feel they have something to apologise for.

When China signed a Pact of Non-Aggression with Soviet Russia recently she appeared to be putting into the hands of her enemies a very useful weapon. Such a pact offered a tempting bait to defenders of Japanese aggressive action against the Nanking Government. The Pact was registered with the League of Nations soon after its signing on August 21, for China wanted the treaty to be binding and registration was essential to make it so.

Article III of this Treaty definitely stipulates that rights and obligations arising out of treaties to which the parties are already signatories cannot be interpreted as being affected by the new pact. The only other treaty in force between China and Russia pledges them "not to authorise on their respective territories the existence or activity of any organization or groups whose purpose is to use violence against the Government" of the other party. They also pledge themselves "not to spread propaganda directed against the political and economic system of the other contracting party."

With so expressly worded an undertaking in force between China and Russia, Japan's accusations that the new treaty is an instrument for the conversion of China to Bolshevism fall somewhat flat. The apologists are answered on this point. If any answer were ever necessary.

If Japan fears Russian influence in China her remedy does

I have investigated LONDON'S ALL-NIGHT LIFE.

Says . . .
James Stuart

who tells you the truth
about "bottle-party"

• FAN-DANCERS
• STRIP-TEASERS
and
• JAZZ-SINGERS

I HAVE been investigating the night life of London—the life that begins after the B.B.C. has said "Good-night, everybody," after the theatre crowds have dispersed and hotel waiters have whisked away all glasses at half-past midnight, except for that one night a week when the leading hotels and restaurants have an extension of licence until 2 a.m.

It is at 12.30 a.m. that London's real night life begins, the hour when twinkling green and blue lights flash on, proclaiming the whereabouts of the "bottle parties" sprinkled over the West End and Soho.

The general public is scarcely aware of the scores of such parties held every night. Only when heavy fines are inflicted on the organisers for serving liquor to uninvited "guests," or for putting on dances without a licence, do people learn "what the policeman saw" when he spent a night out in evening dress with a policeman to accompany him and corroborate his evidence.

To Attract "Guests"

FAN-DANCERS, strip-teasers, and other nearly nude cabaret turns have all been offered to attract "guests," in addition to the privilege of drinking all night without fear of the law.

The term "bottle party," in fact, covers a multitude of entertainments, some elegant and patronised by fashionable women and "Men-about-Town," others more modest, where evening dress is unusual and where even a cloth cap and muffler would be no bar to admission.

There are establishments where, from midnight on, smartly uniformed commissionaires will spring forward to open your car door and escort you into thickly carpeted foyers. There, after receptionists in evening dress have inspected your invitation, and uniformed attendants have taken charge of your coat and hat, and after you have made your contribution of 7s. 6d. towards the entertainment, you will be ushered downstairs into a beautiful ballroom with supper-tables set round the dance floor.

A first-class dance band is playing, shaded lights cast a glamorous glow over the scene, and many famous faces are recognisable. There is nothing to distinguish the place from the ballroom of a famous hotel or a well-known dance club; no signs of excessive revelry or rowdiness.

3 a.m. Cabaret

A WAITER takes instructions for the delivery of the wine or spirits

not lie in making war against those whom she would save. She should strike at those she fears. That is not advice, but simple logic.

you have ordered at least 24 hours before. Twenty-four shillings for whisky and thirty for champagne are the usual charges. Your money is taken and sent by special messenger to the wine company, which is open all night, and your bottle is delivered in a few minutes, carefully labelled with your name and the date of ordering, which may be anything from 24 hours to several months ago.

Excellent food is available at usual West End prices. Should you have come alone, the host will hasten to introduce you to one or more beautiful girls who are delighted to take wine, or perhaps supper, with you, to dance, and to accept a few pounds as a little souvenir of a jolly evening.

About three o'clock the cabaret begins. Until a few weeks ago there would certainly have been strip-tease or a fan-dance and a chorus of dancing beauties in less than the generally acknowledged minimum of clothing. But heavy fines have ended that kind of cabaret.

Instead, a young man now goes to the piano and sings

song so suggestive as to be obscene and occasionally blasphemous.

Negroes sing "spirituals," tap-dance and make wisecracks which are often difficult to understand. The bandmen give solo performances on trumpets, pianos, saxophones, or guitars. Dancing goes on until dawn or until the last group of guests chooses to leave, by which time the milkman is well on his round, the Tube stations are open, and the earliest shop assistants and clerks are beginning to stream back into the West End for another day's work.

All "bottle parties," however, are not like that. Three or four of the best may be, but in some of the haunts in Soho the atmosphere is different.

In these places a suspicious porter allows you to go down a shabby flight of stairs to a locked door, beside which is a little wicket. Not until an invitation has been produced is the bolt drawn, and you are hurriedly ushered into a dimly lighted ante-room filled with the din of jazz, shrieking laughter, and rattling glasses.

SUBMARINE MENACE

RECENT activities in the Mediterranean and adjoining waters point to the fact that the submarine is still a potential horror.

From the evidence, little real progress has been made in locating and destroying those under-sea menaces. The odds are necessarily in favour of the submarine craft, especially when she is actuated by patriotic instincts, as these blunders of the Middle Sea appear to be.

Speaking as an ex-submarine chaser, I testify to the difficulty of bringing such marauders to account. A remembrance of how we worked in the Great War may be of interest. The Mediterranean was an excellent hunting-ground for German and Austrian U-boats. Big, vulnerable convoys were constantly steaming from Gibraltar to Port Said and vice-versa. These ships were vital cogwheels in the national blood stream. Without them we stood to perish.

Usually the Mediterranean surface is slightly ruffled by happy breezes, and a periscope can hide behind a curl of foam. Fritz knew this, and his attacks on our convoys became so daring as to be absolutely imper-

Methods of Dealing with the Pirates

By **CAPTAIN FRANK H. SHAW**

For the convoys were escorted by a whole mosquito fleet of small sloops, destroyers, and Q-boats, to say nothing of armed trawlers and other small fry.

Easy for the U-Boat

We discovered that the plan of action of the U-boats was simple but effective. A convoy trailed a smoke canopy visible for miles. The escort kept moderately close to the big but slow-moving merchantmen.

A submarine, surfacing, saw the canopy—anyone but a blind man would have spotted it. The U-boat then kept company with the Armada, out of sight, almost beneath the sea's

alcoves are all around with couples sitting in the pale light. The host has no need for introductions here. Girls, not so charming, with rather raucous voices, come forward. The man who hesitates a second to choose a partner finds himself with two, and has then to enjoy a contest of vulgar abuse between them.

Drinks are obtained in the same way, by messenger, and at the same double prices. Food is usually bacon and eggs. Dancing is of the cheek-to-cheek variety.

Printed Form

THE cabaret consisted, in the place of this type I visited, of a Negro dancing with a white girl. There was no unusual nudity, but the dance itself was unpleasant.

Although every table had its bottle all night, I saw scarcely any drunkenness. Perhaps "guests" drink slowly because there is no closing time to worry about and because no "rounds" can be bought. It's a bottle or nothing. If the bottle isn't finished, it can be taken away or left to be consumed on a later visit.

Of twelve parties I visited, only one definitely refused me admission because I had no invitation.

The first party admitted me because I had an invitation and had previously placed a wine order. That party vouched for me by telephone to two others.

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rim, during daylight. With the fall of night it quickened speed and got well ahead. By daylight it was fairly in the track of the oncoming fleet. Only its periscope was visible—negligible in the ruffic waves.

Fritz spotted his targets, usually the prime ships, let go left-and-right brace of torpedoes, and instantly submerged completely under the convoy, where we dare not drop depth-charges for fear of blowing off the sterns of our own ships. A force of the explosions spreading in all directions.

In this way, working in two threes, the U-boats could wreck a finest convoy almost in a breeze. And there was no real antidote. Guns were futile unless they showed on the surface. But when they

"Up Guns!"

Here is the way we accounted one such marauder. We affected to be a slow, blundering merchant and dropped behind the convoy

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Wife Spent £1,000 In One Day on Clothes—Allowed Husband Shilling a Week

(By Andrew Kidd)

LIVING in a small cottage near Kendal at the rate of eight shillings a week is Mr. Edward Smith-Wilkinson, widower of the woman who was known as "the Best Dressed Woman in the World" and "the Golden Lady of a Thousand Gowns."

Fifteen years ago the late Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson's expenditure on dress and jewels was the talk of London and Paris.

This 64-year-old widow, who inherited a fortune of £250,000, would spend £1,000 on dress in a single day.

She had:

1,000 gowns;
£50,000 worth of furs;
1,000 hats and 1,000 pairs of shoes;
Fifteen fur coats.

And her teeth were studied with diamonds.

Yet there was another side to the story.

And to-day good-looking, fit, Edward Smith-Wilkinson gave me some extraordinary details of his life as the husband.

WIDOW PROPOSED

"I first met her in 1919," he said. "I had been in the Grenadier Guards, and after the war was earning my living as dancer and entertainer at Mabel's."

"One night an elderly, short woman approached me and said, 'Have you a dance for Mother?' 'I danced with her, little dreaming that within a year she would be my wife."

"She was Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson, widow, who owned many hotels. Later she asked me to become her secretary."

"Then I was formally adopted as her son."

"Eventually she suggested we should be married. In fact, she proposed to me."

The ex-Guardsman refused at first, but later consented.

"We were married quietly one morning," he continued. "She was then 55; I was 25."

"As we travelled by train for our seaside honeymoon, she said: 'Now you've married me I can either make your life hell—or the other thing.'"

"I soon learned I had placed myself in a trap, and that my life for two years and 333 days was, in fact, to be hell."

HER WORLD TITLE

Soon after her marriage with Mr. Smith-Wilkinson she caught dress fever. She decided to win the title of the world's best-dressed woman. Once she said to her husband:

"I always envied Jack Johnson, the boxer, because he had a world's title. Now I've got one, and if I have to starve I will keep it!"

It was nothing for her to spend £1,000 on dress in a single day, her husband told me, and then add the wages of her maid and her own wages as a dressmaker to the £1,000. She was a woman who would have pangs of remorse and cry out that she would be ruined.

"She tried to ease her conscience by economising on meals," said her ex-husband.

"At our hotel she would often order breakfast for one—and share it with me in our room."

I got sick of the whole thing. How I loathed those endless dress parades! But she dragged me everywhere she went.

"Instead of getting £1,000 and an open cheque-book as she had promised, she gave me a paltry shilling or two a week as pocket money."

"I had almost to starve so that she could buy another 80-guinea gown."

When Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson went to Paris she was fated and flattered.

MADAME ALADDIN

She was called "Madame Aladdin," and it was said that she had gold baths installed in her room and drunk from diamond-studded cups. "She continued with an orgy of spending," her former husband told me. "Life became unbearable, so I determined to make a break. When I told her I meant to leave her she packed up and took a trip to Africa."

"She died in 1921, leaving about £17,000."

"In her will she left me nothing."

The ex-Guardsman then set out to make his own living again. In turn he was cinema manager, estate manager, traveller and guide. For three months when workless he lived on 7d. a day, and slept on the London Embankment.

"In May, 1935," he said, "I married for the second time. But I parted from my wife."

"A strange life, mine. I have been adopted twice and twice married. And now, in this quiet country cottage, I have found real happiness at last."

"For some time past I have been busy writing the story of my married life with the 'best-dressed woman in the world' in the form of a novel, which I hope to have published soon."

Calling A Halt

YEOCH, Sept. 16.

SOMERSET County Council has refused to allow more "Halt" signs to be placed in the neighbourhood of Podymore cross-roads, near here, for alleged offences at which more than 700 motorists have been summoned.

Mr. J. J. A. a member of Langport Rural Council, told me he was sorry that their application had been turned down.

More than 300 more motorists will receive summonses during the next few days for failing to halt at the Podymore sign. So far about 600 cases have been dealt with and a total of £970 has been collected in fines.

ODD . . . ISN'T IT?

TOMMY, aged 15, stood sturdily before the magistrates at Sunderland. Towering above him was his 21-year-old friend Robert. They were jointly charged with the crime of "exchanging toys for rags."

"I suppose you take responsibility for the boys?" said the clerk.

"I can't," said Robert. "I'm working for him."

And then Tommy told the court he was "boss" and, in fact, the employer of his big friend.

They were both fined 10s.—which, presumably, under an employer's liability, cost Tommy £1.

A LOAD of ice was taken aboard the Royal Research ship William Scoresby in St. Katharine Dock, the Thames, before a seven-months' expedition into the icy wastes of the Antarctic.

The reason is the crew are carrying a Christmas dinner of turkeys and pudding (with a little holly, too), which must be preserved for more than three months.

HAVE you ever skidded over a road covered with lard?

A ton of lard slipped from a lorry outside Seven railway station, and not even Sir Malcolm Campbell could have passed until roadmen scraped the road with shovels and threw grit on the surface.

And then the traffic slipped past.

MRS. Allwood, in a competition for sixpenny dinners at the village show at Wymondham, Rutland, has solved the problem of living. She won the first prize with:

Rabbit3d.
Crisp1d.
Potatoes and peas1d.
Rice pudding1½d.
Mrs. Huddleston, runner-up, lost by a lemonade—which cost 4d.

'HEAD TUCKED UNDER HIS ARM'

THE skeleton of a man "with his head tucked underneath his arm" was discovered at Maiden Castle, the prehistoric hill fortress near Dorchester, this afternoon.

He died 4,000 years ago and was buried near the ramparts in the longest "long barrow," of burial mound, ever found in Britain.

And not only was his head under his arm, his legs were lying across his ribs, and his hands

were where his feet should have been. The burial place just discovered, which is nearly 600 feet long and originally stood 12 feet high, has been reverenced through forty centuries. Even bronze age men refrained from living on it.

Flung Acid In Friend's Face: Found Drowned

MISS DAISY FRYER, aged forty-five, was found drowned at Thorpe Bay yesterday—the day after she had dashed a wineglass full of acid into a friend's face.

A waterman found Miss Fryer's body. She was clad in a black silk kimono.

Until a few weeks ago Miss Fryer had lived with Mr. and Mrs. Chubb in their flat in London-road, South-

end. She had suffered from fits of depression and weeping, and Mr. and Mrs. Chubb had asked her to leave.

On Friday Miss Fryer entered the flat and dashed the acid in Mrs. Chubb's face.



The latest weapon in the war against the dread cancer is a new constructed X-ray apparatus of 220,000-volt, which has been successfully tested at the Warwick clinic, Warwick. The picture shows the new apparatus in action.

SHE BEAUTIFIES BY PREACHING

'PLAIN JANES' BECOME PRETTY

ELOISE MOELLER, America's blonde, blue-eyed "Dove of Peace," declares that her "individual peace work" has turned plain girls into beauties, dull, worn-out housewives into alert, vigorous young women.

She used to be official court stenographer in Los Angeles, reported in slick shorthand the misery of 500 couples suing for divorce, felt there must be a cure for so much unhappiness.

Now she is the hot-gospeller of international friendship, here as recruiting sergeant for America's 100,000 strong United Mothers' Association, convinced she has the cure for both home-misery and world ills.

Neatly grey-suited, an enamelled dove of peace entwined in her lapel, she sat in her South Kensington flat recently and spoke about her two studies for character-curing, one in Los Angeles, the other in Pasadena, California.

TRANSFORMED

"I call it the science of everyday living. I dust out a person's inmost emotions, and what character there really is, then start to build. And proper breathing, sensible eating and the changes are astounding."

"There was a little girl of eighteen who came to scrub my floors, daughter of a janitor. She was very depressed. She was bad-tempered."

"But she had a lovely head of red hair. I started to build up her pride in that. Five months after, you wouldn't have recognised the same girl. She was pretty, well-mannered, a girl of real character."

"A young mother came to see me too. She was only a girl still, but had two lusty children. Her figure was awful, her mind just dead."

"Within a year she was a most attractive woman, sensible, efficient. Her husband told me I'd given him a new wife."

Dove of Peace Moeller hopes to lead 1,000 women to Los Angeles for a world conference in armistice week. The Queen Mary is to sail on October 27 as "The ship of peace and progress."

RADIO BROADCAST

An Hour of Spanish Music From ZEK LONDON RELAYS

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral. 12.30 Songs by Turner Layton. Heart Of Gold (from 'All Afloat at Oxford Circus'); The Star And The Rose (Young and Schwartz); West Wind (Ager, Newman and Mencher).

12.40 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Miracles. Sometimes Happen Just Say "Aloha"; Slow Fox-Trot—Serenade In The Night; Fox-Trot—Nun-Yuff And Sun-Yuff; Old Sailor; You're The Top; All Through The Night (both from 'Anything Goes').

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Grade Fields. One Night Of Love (film 'One Night Of Love'); When The Robin Sings His Song Again (Parish and Coots); One Of The Little Orphans Of The Storm (film 'Queen Of Hearts').

1.15 The London Palladium Orchestra. 'Chu Chin Chow'—Selection (Norton); The Valley Of The Poppies (Ancliffe); A Birthday Serenade (Lincke); Dreaming—Waltz (Joyce).

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Variety. Organ—Sylvia Ballet—Fantasy (Delibes); Fernand (Dance of the Brides of Kashmir—Anton Rubinstein); Marcel Polo; Comedian (There Never Was A Girl Like Mary (from 'The Town Talks'); Arthur Riscoe. Duet—You Have That Extra Something (from 'The Town Talks'); Phyllis Stanley and Arthur Riscoe. Piano—Limehouse Blues (Braham—trans. Mayer); Orange Blossom (Mayer); Billy Mayerl; Vocal—Gang Show Of 1936; Ralph Reader and Chorus; Comedienne—Bluebird—A Bed-Time Story; Wish Wynn; Orchestra—'Happy Memories'—Selection—New Mayfair Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

8-11 p.m. Chinese Programme. 5.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof-Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Jubilee Stamp; 2. Serenade In D Flat; 3. Alone; 4. It don't mean a thing.

5.15 p.m. Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.20 5. Cotton; 6. Truckin'; 7. Promises; 8. Spanish Memories. 5.35 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.40 9. Smoke Dreams; 10. Jealousy; 11. South American Joe; 12. Peanut Vendor.

5.55 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

6.00 13. The words are in my heart; 14. Our little girl; 15. When I grow too old to dream.

6.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

6.20 16. Clouds; 17. Indiana 18. There'll come a time; 19. My Gal Sal.

6.30 Children's Records. 'More Very Young' Songs (Poems by A.A. Milne—music Fraser-Simson); George Baker (Barclay); The Adventures Of Careless Carrie And Wilful William Part I—When Mr. Moon Locks Down; Part II—Careless Carrie Meets Wilful William.

Uncle Charlie and Company Christopher Robin is Saying His Prayers (Milne and Fraser-Simson) —Turner Layton (Tenor).

6.45 Sea Shanties. Johnny Come Down To Hilo; The Hog's Eye Man; We're All Bound To Go (Terry); Raymond Newell and Chorus; Fire Down Below; Hallelujah Bala; (Harris); Rio Grande; Billy; Shenandoah (Terry); John Goss (Baritone); The Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

7.00 London Relay—'Crying the Neck' The 'Harvest Home' at Treloar, Cornwall.

The Neck is the last sheaf of corn to be cut on the estate. When the harvest is home everyone working on the estate assembles to 'cry the neck' to ensure good luck for the year. The commentary on the ceremony will be given by Peter Sandry.

7.30 Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market. 7.35 The Mills Brothers and Harry Roy and His Tiger-Ragamuffins.

Miss Ollie Regrets (Cole Porter); My Headache (Razaf, Johnson); The Mills Brothers; She's Funny That Way (Moret-Whitting); From Monday On (Crosby-Barris); Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins; Shoe Shine Boy; Rhythm Saved The World (Cahn, Rayburn); The Mills Brothers; Farewell Blues; You Rascal You; Muddy Waters; Shine; My Sweetie Went Away; Sweet Jenny Lee; Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.

8.00 Weather, and Announcements. 8.03 Chinese Programme—Relay from the Po Hing Theatre. 11.00 Close down.

8.03-11.00 European Programme from Z.B.W. On a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.03 An Hour of Spanish Music. Spanish Dance No. 1 (Granados); Spanish Dance No. 2 (Granados); New Light Symphony Orchestra; Lento Boricane (Hernandez—arr. Brito); La Rosa Oriental (Expulgu); Conchita Suferrin (Niezzi); Soprano; Granada—Spanish Suite; Cordoba (Albeniz); Orquesta Odeon; Granada—Serenade (Albeniz); Rondo Vines (Piano); Granada (Cole)—Barrera; Princesita (Palomares—Padilla); Tito Schlipa (Tenor); Triana (Albeniz—Albeniz); Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano); Oracion Del Torero (Turina); Gordon String Quartet; Sonata A



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9.00 London Relay—'Empire Exchange'. Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies. 9.15 Vocal and Humorous Variety.

Vocal—There's Something In The Air (film 'Banjo on my Knee'); Goodnight, My Love (film 'Slowly Away'); Ruth Etting, Humorous; Art About Cruises (Franklin-Hendley-Crick); Murgatroyd and Winterbottom; Vocal—I'll Bet You Tell That To All The Boys (Tobias-Steph); Len Berman.

9.30 London Relay—The New 8.40 a.m. The Weekly Newsletter, Sports and Announcements. 9.50 The Hand Of H.M. Coldstream which time signal at 9.50 a.m. Big Ben. 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TEN MEN NEARLY HOLD CHINESE XI TO A DRAW

COSTA INJURED EARLY IN GAME CHARITY FOOTBALL IN AID OF PLAYER'S WIDOW AND FAMILY

(By "Abe")

Chinese XI 4 The Rest 3

Playing with only ten men for the most part of the game, The Rest lost to a Chinese XI by four goals to three in a charity match played at Causeway Bay yesterday for the benefit of the widow and family of the late Wong Shek-ping, Eastern full-back, who died some days ago following an injury received on the field.

If Costa, left back, had not hurt his ankle so badly in the first quarter of an hour that he had to be out for the rest of the game, there is little doubt that the Rest would have won. They settled down more quickly than the Chinese and within 15 minutes were two goals up, the first as the result of a low drive by Evans and the second, a mistake by Soong Ling-sing, who headed into his own goal.

With Costa out of the team, however, the Rest defence became disorganised. Webster had to do more than his fair share of work, but this he did most stoutly and was probably the best back on the field. Rowlands was too steady for the Chinese forwards, especially in the closing period when he saved a couple of almost certain goals, and the four shots which beat him were not due to any fault of his.

LIVELY ATTACK

The Rest started very well indeed and kept up a sustained attack from both wings. Pearson, the centre-forward, was a live wire, and Evans was ever dangerous in front of goal. Both Bickford and Conkley were very fast, but Leonard had an irritating habit of hanging on to the ball instead of passing it to his colleagues in the forward line.

Spiers, at centre-half, worked hard but found the Chinese forwards slightly too fast for him. Parker, on the left, and Hussain, on the right, were steady without being brilliant. The latter moved to right back in the second period and would have



Lai Shu-wing defenders found him elusive.

K.C.C. Tennis

HUNG AND GROSE LOSE IN FINAL

TO BROADBRIDGE AND CRAWFORD

R. T. Broadbridge, a promising young player, partnered by A. Crawford, "A" Division exponent, yesterday won the K.C.C. annual handicap doubles tennis tournament, beating W. C. Hung and F. Grose in the final 6-4, 6-3.

Broadbridge and Crawford were served by Lee Tack-kee, who tried hard to find a weak link in the opposition. Broadbridge played so well that their persistency in playing on him eventually became a boomerang, the youngster scoring with some timely and well-made volleys. Crawford was very dependable and Hung was the pick of the other couple.

Broadbridge recently won the club's handicap singles "B" competition, and also did well in the junior championship.

Lee Tack-kee hit the bar with Rowlands well beaten, and Hsu Ching-to seized upon the rebound to crash the ball into the net. Soon after, Lai Shu-wing beat Rowlands but he was ruled off-side. He was underdressed, however, and before the whistle blew, he had put the Chinese on level terms.

The prettiest goal of the match was scored by Lee Tack-kee, who obtained possession near the half-way line, beat two defenders and found the net from a difficult angle with a low drive from 20 yards out. A period of midfield play ensued. The Rest, with only four forwards, seldom got going but in one of their rare raids, Leonard redeemed many mistakes by beating Wong Wah-gay.

Just as it looked as if the match would end in a draw, the Chinese came to life again with several dangerous attacks down the centre. In every one, Lai Shu-wing played a part and appropriately it was he who scored the winning goal, two minutes from time. Rowlands was prominent with many fine saves at this stage.

Quite a big crowd watched the game and it is estimated that a sum of about \$700 was collected.

Teams: The Rest.—Rowlands; Webster. Costa; Hussain. Soong Ling-sing. Conkley. Leonard. Pearson. Evans and Bickford.

Chinese XI.—Wong Wah-gay; Mak Shu-hon, Li Tin-sang; Lau Hung-choi, Soong Ling-sing, Cheng Kien-fai; Cheng Siu-hong, Lee Tack-kee, Yau Ching-to, Lai Shu-wing and Hsu Ching-to.

AROUND THE GROUNDS SCORING IN LOCAL SOCCER RETURNS TO NORMAL

(By "Abe")

Though one team (Medical Corps) scored eight times against Pouchattan in the Third Division on Saturday, scoring in the Hongkong Football League returned to normal during the week-end. In 14 matches played on Saturday, a total of 48 goals was registered, a substantial fall from the opening weeks' figures.

BIGGEST UPSET

The biggest upset in the week-end programme was the defeat of South China "A" by Kowloon. I expected the latter team to put up a good show, but I certainly did not expect the Chinese to concede both points. It seems that the Caroline Hill side was attacking most of the time, but their inter-passing near the Kowloon goal-mouth, plus the incisive tackling of the Kowloon defenders prevented them from scoring. Furthermore, Rowlands in the Kowloon goal was in rare form and saved one certain goal when he dived at Lai Shu-wing's feet and took the ball away. Well done, Kowloon!

SEAFORTH'S BREAK SPELL

With several positional changes, Seaforths fared better on Saturday when they met Eastern at Causeway Bay and won by the odd goal in three. Still, the team, though successful, had plenty of room for improvement. A high wind played funny tricks with the ball and a good standard of play was out of the question. Eastern had had luck in that they had to play with ten men for the most part of the game owing to an injury to Chau Man-chi, the inside right, who had a nasty kick on the ankle. Another fine display was given by Sammy Tsang, the Eastern goalkeeper, who is one of the most improved goal-keepers in the Colony this season.

SAINTS' FORWARD WEAKNESS

If the Saints are to win matches, they will have to start making improvements in the forward line right away. They are quite well-served in defence, but the inaptitude of their forwards in front of goal is their greatest weakness at the moment. David Leonard is not the same player that he used to be, and against Middlesex on Saturday he had a miserable match. Ward makes openings for his colleagues but even he is woefully weak in shooting. On at least one occasion in this encounter he had a chance to shoot, but instead of having a "go" he tried to slip the ball to Leonard in the centre, only to see one of the defenders clear with ease.

SAW AND PEARSON

The more I see of Saw and Pearson, the inside left and centre-forward respectively of the Middlesex Regiment, the more I like them. They have a fine understanding between them, and this was clearly responsible for Saw scoring three goals against St. Joseph's on Saturday. The team has two fine halves in Watson and Jackson, and Thomas is a good centre-half as one can find in the Colony at the moment.

RECORD RETAINED

As expected, South China "B" had little difficulty in keeping their 100 per cent record intact when they met Kowloon Chinese at Sookun-poo on Saturday. The Caroline Hill side was superior in every respect and could have scored more than three goals had they so desired. The Kowloon Chinese have not obtained a single point from four matches, and are definitely the weakest side in the First Division. They have to show a great improvement in order to hold their own.

GOOD CHARITY GAME

The charity game played yesterday for the benefit of the widow and family of the late Wong Shek-ping, Eastern full back who died recently following an injury, was well-attended and produced a fine standard of football. The Chinese were lucky to win by the odd goal in seven as The Rest team played with only ten men after the game had been in progress for 15 minutes. Costa received a nasty kick on the ankle and had to be out for the remainder of the match. But for Rowlands the Chinese would undoubtedly have scored more than four goals; he kept the Chinese out with many fine saves, and Webster was also a contributing factor against the Chinese.

TOO-BIG A HANDICAP

Playing with ten men against a nippy set of opponents was too much

Olympic Games May Be Curtailed

Tokyo, Oct. 7.

The Japanese Olympic Games Committee officially announced to-day that owing to the Far Eastern conflict Japan was obliged to curtail her original plans for holding the 1940 Olympic Games. If the new stadium that had been planned is built at all, it will be far smaller than originally intended. It is moreover announced that the Games will be held in simple style corresponding to the "true Olympic idea."

The Japanese committee believes that even in the event of the Sino-Japanese conflict proving to be of so long duration that the Japanese government should be unable to afford financial support, the enthusiasm in Japanese sporting circles and the city of Tokyo itself would be great enough to enable the Games to be held.

Empire Games

A team of nine has been provisionally selected by the Women's Amateur Athletic Association to take part in the Empire Games at Sydney next year. The athletes are: W. Jeffreys (Birmingham), L. Chalmers (Portsmouth), D. Saunders (Spartan L.A.C.), M. Holloway (Micheam), K. Tiffin (Micheam), E. Baby (Middlesex L.A.C.), D. Odum (Micheam), D. Gardner (Middlesex L.A.C.), and either G. Lunn (Birmingham) or K. Connal (Leeds University).

A trial will be held to decide between Miss Lunn and Miss Connal, who are both javelin throwers. The first four are sprinters, Miss Tiffin a hurdler, Miss Baby a long jumper and Miss Odum and Miss Gardner high jumpers.

PABLO DANO WINS

San Jose, Calif., Oct. 5.

Pablo Dano, 122, of Manila, former bantamweight champion of the Orient, was given the nod here to-night after a ten round bout with the Japanese battler, Umio Gen, 126, of Tokyo.

WEEK-END CRICKET FEATS

COLLEDGE LEADS IN BATTING

The following were the leading batsmen:

W. H. Colledge (C.S.C.C.) v K.C.C.	102
T. A. Pearce (H.K.C.C. Singles) v Married (H.K.C.C.)	80
K. M. Nazarin (K.C.C. 2nd XI) v C.S.C.C.	64
A. H. Madar (I.R.C.) v Army	60
J. Gosano (Schools) v C.C.C.	60
A. M. Rodriguez (Recreio) v C.C.C.	58
K. Nazarin (I.R.C.) v Army	58
L. G. Gosano (Recreio 2nd XI) v C.C.C.	58
J. L. C. Pearce (H.K.C.C. Singles) v Married (H.K.C.C.)	53
A. M. Prata (Recreio) v C.C.C.	52
J. E. Richardson (C.S.C.C.) v K.C.C.	49
Lieut. Weedon (Army) v I.R.C.	45
F. H. Stokes (H.K.C.C. Married) v Singles	44
R. T. Broadbridge (K.C.C. 2nd XI) v C.S.C.C.	39
Lieut. Hook (Army "B") v Army "A"	38
D. J. N. Anderson (K.C.C.) v C.S.C.C.	37
I. Ali (I.R.C. 2nd XI) v Police	35
E. C. Fletcher (K.C.C.) v C.S.C.C.	34
C. Pope (Police) v I.R.C. 2nd XI	34
E. Zimmerman (C.C.C.) v Recreio	33
A. T. Tay (K.C.C.) v C.S.C.C.	32
A. K. McKenzie (H.K.C.C. Singles) v Married	32
F. H. Carvalho (Recreio 2nd XI) v C.C.C.	31
F. K. Lee (C.C.C.) v Recreio	30

Not out.
+ Retired.



T. A. Pearce ... he had to outdo a younger brother.

Conducted By "Abe"

MANY fine feats were performed in local cricket over the week-end. Chief of them was the century by W. H. Colledge for the Civil Service C. C. against the Kowloon C. C. at King's Park—the third to be scored this season.

Colledge's 102 not out enabled the Civil Servants to beat their hosts by eight wickets despite the fact that the latter put up the respectable total of 164. J. E. Richardson helped materially in the victory by hitting up 49 and helping Colledge in an opening partnership of three figures. At Sookun-poo the Indians defeated the Army by 71 runs. Players who distinguished themselves in this encounter were A. H. Madar (60), K. Nazarin (58), Lieut. Weedon (45) and A. R. Minu (seven wickets for 31 runs).

Madar and Nazarin took the total from 48 for two to 151 before the latter got out in trying to force the pace. Both he and Madar were in fine form and definitely had the upper hand over the Army bowling when they were together. Lieut. Cheyne bowled better than his figures of one for 23 suggested, but perhaps the most interesting revelation in the Army attack was that in Lieut. Godby they have a very fine fast bowler, who will be very dangerous when he has had a little more practice. Possessing an easy action, Godby imparts a great deal of speed into his deliveries, and furthermore has the added quality of being able to disguise his variation of pace. He showed on Saturday that he still needs a lot of practice, however. Lieut. Weedon and Lieut. Beadnell, both of the Middlesex Regiment, are fine batsmen. The former got set in this match and hit up an attractive 45. Beadnell scored only 14, but he is obviously a good bat.

A. R. Minu, who is leading the I.R.C. this season, got in among the wickets and finished up with a "bag" of seven for 31—the best performance of the day.

Playing at Happy Valley, the Club de Recreio obtained their revenge against the Craigengower C.C.

Another Pearce promises to make a name for himself in local cricket. Following in the footsteps of "Tam" Pearce and Alec Pearce, J. L. C. Pearce is also a fine cricketer and is liable to do just as well as his father and brother. Playing for the Singles against the Married at the Hongkong C.C. on Saturday he scored 53. Unfortunately I did not see his innings, but from all accounts it was quite a good one. His brother Alec made 80 before retiring but "Tam" was out for a "blob."

MIDDLESEX TOO GOOD FOR ST. JOSEPH'S

FORWARDS MAKE THE MOST OF THEIR OPPORTUNITIES

(By "Abe")

Middlesex Reg. 3

St. Joseph's 2

If it was only because their forwards were more dangerous in front of goal, the Middlesex Regiment deserved their win by 3-2 against St. Joseph's at Sookun-poo on Saturday. Even in the other departments, the soldiers were superior, except perhaps in goal, where R. Marques showed up better than Berry though this was so probably on account of the fact that Marques had a great deal more to do and, therefore, had more opportunities to shine.

V. Costa, Hussain and R. Marques defended stoutly in the first period, during which the soldiers were all over the Saints. Backed up by Watson and Jackson, the two backs, the Middlesex intermediate line of Sheehan, Thomas and Wilkinson, kept the forwards well-supplied with passes, and Saw, the inside-left, took advantage of them by scoring two goals in this half. Pearson led his line well, and it was indirectly due to him that the second goal was made.

Hussain worked very hard as centre-half for the Saints, but because his wing men did not give him the necessary support, he had all the three Middlesex inside forwards on his hands. Costa was the better of the two backs. Bowen found it difficult to maintain a footing, and was on the whole rather unreliable.

ALVES STAYS OUT

N. Delgado came into the team at the last moment as A. Alves, the

regular outside left, thought it inadvisable to play owing to a strained muscle. W. Sprinkle was given Alves' berth, while Delgado went to right half, where he gave a good account of himself.

The Saints' forward line was the most disappointing part of the team. Leonard, the centre-forward, was all at sea throughout the match and was so completely bottled up by Thomas that he never looked capable of scoring. Whenever he did evade the attentions of the Middlesex pivot, his ball control proved so poor that the other defenders had little difficulty in robbing him of the ball. Sprinkle was weak on the left wing, but as he was given a position entirely strange to him, his display was excusable. Ward did not try a single shot at goal throughout the whole game and Castilho was given few opportunities to shine. Gomes was the liveliest of the quintette.

The only man in the Saints' team who looked like being able to score was Costa, who first played centre-half and then left-back. It was he who opened the scoring for St. Joseph's and infused new life into the team, though he was unable to prevent the Middlesex from winning.

LEONARD MISSES CHANCE

A few minutes after the start, the Saints should have been one up, but Leonard with an open goal, shot wide. The soldiers celebrated the set-off by taking the ball down to the other end and a nice movement was rounded off by Saw, who crashed the ball past Marques. The second goal was a rather lucky one. Saw apparently intended to pass to Pearson in the centre, but the latter got into a mix-up with Bowen at the goal-mouth and the ball rolled into the net with Marques unsighted.

At the resumption, Costa went to left back, Bowen to right, Hussain to centre-half, C. Marques to right wing and Castilho to left wing. The Saints then had more of the play, and with Hussain playing a robust game in the middle, the forwards had several chances to score. Every opportunity was wasted, however, through slowness in front of goal, and Watson and Jackson found it an easy matter to keep the ball out. It was not until the kick was given for halves against a Middlesex defender just outside the penalty area that a goal accrued for the Saints. Costa came up to take the kick and sent in a powerful ground shot which Berry reached but could not stop.

SAINTS EQUALISE

Thus-encouraged, the Saints pressed for a long time and during a spirited attack Leonard beat Berry for possession and sent the ball past the advancing goal-keeper.

The Middlesex regained the lead in the very first minute of the kick-off through Saw, who pounced on the ball five yards from the goal-mouth, took deliberate aim and fired it into the right-hand corner.

No further scoring took place, but Castilho missed a glorious opportunity to put the Saints on level terms when he shot wide with only the goal-keeper to beat. This took place only a few seconds from the final whistle.

It was just as well that Castilho missed because a draw would definitely have flattered the Saints, who did not deserve a point from their display. Middlesex was decidedly the better team and would have been unlucky to share the points.

Teams:

St. Joseph's.—R. Marques; A. J. Hussain, J. Bowen; N. Delgado, V. Costa, C. Marques; T. Castilho, A. Ward, D. Leonard, J. Gomes and W. Sprinkle.

Middlesex.—Berry; Watson, Jackson; Sheehan, Thomas, Wilkinson; Freshwater, Coomer, Pearson, Saw and Britton.



A. R. Minu ... Army batsmen were puzzled.

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RUGBY MATCHES

Club Overwhelms Army
In First Fixture

The local Rugby season was brightly inaugurated on Saturday when the Club defeated a nArmy XV by a substantial amount which did not, however, detract from the spectators' point of view. The Club beat the Army by 28-5 on the former's ground.

The match demonstrated that the Club have every prospect of producing one of their strongest combinations of recent years, and the only flaw in a potentially happy season ahead would appear to be the lack of strong opposition. The absence of two Battalions in Shanghai, especially the Royal Welch Fusiliers whose key men were badly missed yesterday, and a Navy side which will no doubt be below the strength it was last year, will not make for very attractive fixtures.

The Club's forwards showed themselves a sturdy bunch, and though the Army began in their customary smart style, the forwards whipping the ball back to the three as often as possible, it was soon apparent that they could not keep the opposition down.

Apart from the moral setback provided by Needham touching down in the first two minutes, (Watson falling with the kick), the speedy legs of Bidwell, Grieve, Bonnar and Company—not to mention the very reliable Stewart at right outside—soon ran the Army defence almost to a standstill. Bonnar got the ball away from the scrum to Bidwell, who took it along the line at great pace before passing to Stewart, the winger adroitly taking a high pass with his left hand and going over for the second try. Watson made no mistake with the kick, and the Club led 8-0.

The Army fought back hard, Gillespie inspiring the pack to continuous efforts, but the Club were always hot on the ball in the line-outs and had the weight in the scrum. Just before the interval whistle, Bidwell could find no way through a loose crowd of play and though harassed, took a fine drop kick to clear the bar and add a further four points.

Army's Fault.
Rainey, the Army stand-off half, had been feeding the line well but he occasionally took the ball forward himself. Poor handling by the three muffed some fair efforts, and it was pretty obvious that any scoring which could be done must come from the forwards.

With the resumption, Bidwell soon found himself in possession a quarter way down the field in his own half, and he outpaced three or four of the opposition before being trapped in front of goal. He threw a rather wild pass back, but Grieve had fortunately placed himself right and he took the ball, side-stepped a back and touched down for Watson to convert. The score was then 17-0.

A similar movement gave Bonnar an opportunity to make an opening, which he did, passing the ball after drawing two men. Needham went over for the second time, and Watson improved the total.

Butcher broke away and gave to Bonnar, who scored fairly far out, but Watson failed with a long kick. The Army had not been seeing much of the ball, but Whitman falling to race an Army forward to a long punt, kicked the ball out and Army scored through Captain Gillespie from a five yards line-out. Gillespie took the kick and converted with a magnificently judged effort against the difficulties of a strong wind.

Stewart scored in the final minute of the game, getting clean away from a straight run to the corner, which was too far out for Watson to improve.

The Teams
Club: P. Whitman (Captain); D. H. Stewart, H. D. Bidwell, W. E. Grieve, H. van Leeuwen; A. H. R. Butcher, J. L. Bonnar; K. A. Watson, A. K. Salter, R. G. Geer, V. Needham, R. Nelson, J. C. Millar, J. Taylor, J. A. Redman.
Army: Sergt. Hilton (R.E.); Lieut. R. MacLagen (Scarfords), Lieut. Davenport (R.A.), Lieut. Bruton (R.A.O.C.), Lieut. Chilverall (Mid-diesex); Pte. Rainey (Scarfords), Sergt. Bailey (R.A.M.C.); Spr. Rum-bull (R.E.), Sergt. Marshall (Mid-diesex), Pte. Bonsted (Scarfords), Lieut. Crawford (Signals), Lieut. I. A. MacLagen (Scarfords), Cpl. Harrison (R.E.), Capt. Gillespie (R.E.), and Spr. Hall (R.E.).

Mr. E. W. MacEwen refereed.

NAVY BEAT "A"
Earlier in the afternoon the Club "A" were beaten by H.M.S. Medway 20-0, the extra thrust of individuals in the naval side being mainly responsible. Maydon scored from a melee near the line in the first few minutes, and added the extra points himself. Ten minutes later, Kyrie

ARE WOMEN'S PRIVATE GAMES
CLUBS DOOMED?

Urgent Need of Better Facilities

(By Marjorie Pollard)

In these days when everything is being done to urge all women and girls to play some game or other, I am almost afraid to stir the flame of enthusiasm, because the difficulties with which team games are beset are so numerous.

Every day I get requests from girls asking to be put in touch with a games club. I do my best, but I know that often those games clubs are forced by circumstances to have subscriptions that are prohibitive—where their grounds are far away—and so quite out of the requests I get end in disappointments.

There is no doubt that girls of school leaving age are very keen to go on playing team games. They have had coaching, and also they have tasted that satisfying joy of being one of a team, doing a job of work to a common end.

DIFFICULTY OF GROUNDS.
It matters not whether the clubs are hockey or netball—after quite an exhaustive look round, I find the difficulties are the same. Also, I would like to make it very clear that neither of these Associations have any paid officials. All work is voluntary, and is done mostly by people who are doing full-time jobs of importance as well.

The greatest difficulty is still that of suitable grounds. Rents and upkeep have gone up so tremendously that unless something tangible is done with all speed the private club is doomed. Also, have you noticed how much farther out of the town playing-fields are creeping? This means that it now costs money to get to the fields to play.

This increase in cost all has to go on to the subscription, because women's clubs do not stand or fall by the number and generosity of a list of vice-presidents. The only clubs which are attached to and subsidised by factories, offices, colleges; and such to the ordinary games player are "closed."

"CLOSED" CLUBS
Does this mean that in time all clubs will be representative of some office, factory, or college? Is the club that is the joint effort of a set of friends doomed?

Unless something is done to counteract the cost of a playing field, I am afraid it is. Or could not "closed" clubs take, say, 25 per cent. of outsiders? A little leaven of this kind could do no harm, and it would help tremendously.

A great many unattached clubs are looking to the various parks committees as their salvation. Would that all such committees were like those at Ramsgate or Southend-on-Sea, where team games players thrive abundantly, and where their needs are appreciated.

My experience has been that park committees think in terms of football pitches, cricket pitches, swings, seesaws, little baskets, cloak-room accommodation for men, and then if there is a spare corner taking drainage, let the girls play netball on it.

IGNORANCE OF MEN
There is among men, even men games players, a sublime ignorance and a naive blindness to the fact that women and girls do play games at all—or that they have any desire to do so.

made a short run, kicked over Nelson's head and scored another try for the Army, Maydon falling with the kick. Harvey, who was outstanding throughout, burst through and scored, Maydon again failing to improve.

Resuming with 11 points in arrears, the Club "A" pinned the Navy to their own territory for some time in a desperate attempt to score but then play went into midfield where Harvey grandly snatched a wild ball and tore over the line. Erridge could not add the extra points. Anderson, also of the Medway, added further tries before the final whistle.

The teams were:
"A" XV—D. Nelson; D. Campbell, Taverer, A. H. Murray, J. Watts; M. G. Carruthers, J. Henderson; A. W. Holden, J. S. Dunnett, R. M. King, T. Swain, B. Hyman, A. G. Dalziel, H. Pratt and H. W. E. Heath.
Navy—Surg.-Lieut. Ellis; Tel. Dent, E.R.A. Erridge, Lieut. Harvey, S/Lieut. Kyrie; Sto. Colledge, Lieut. Talbot; S/Lieut. Anderson, Writer Thompson, E.A. Huggell, A.B. Aslett, Lieut. Maydon, L.S. Penney, Lieut. Favell, S.B.A. Stoker.
Dr. J. A. R. Selby refereed.

This, too, is typical. Not so long ago I was watching some boys kick a football about on the roped off, duck-boarded (used once a week) football pitch in a public recreation ground. The groundsmen seeing them, waxed exceeding wrath and yelled, "Come off'er that, and go and play on the girls' 'ockey."

In all public recreation grounds there is room for men. Can the same be said about the women? I know also that where grounds are available, there is no dressing accommodation on a Saturday afternoon. I know that the fastidiousness and natural modesty of the young games player are often nearly outraged by the lack of this changing accommodation.

ROOM FOR EXPANSION
The time is ripe for this team games expansion. The girls are eager to play. Will they, and ought we to ask them to, face expense, the weariness of getting there, the poor changing accommodation?

Yes, we should, because it is up to us to see that the future is bright. Team games provide—all at once—companionship, exercise, fun and healthy topics for thought and conversation.

Let us then foster them all we can.

CLOSING DAY
Kowloon F. C. Lose To
"Rest" Bowls Team

A large gathering of bowlers and their wives were present at the bowlist and tea-party at the Kowloon Football Club yesterday to celebrate the club's first closing day. The matches against "The Rest" resulted in a win for the visitors by 32 shots.

Results:
T. White, H. Eriksen, W. Mackie, A. S. Dias (K.F.C.) 12, lost to E. Knight, W. Hing, L. Colyer, E. G. Post, 21.
J. Fraser, 17, lost to H. Gittins, W. Ward, R. Morrison, A. R. Dalziel, 25.
L. Jones, S. Hawkins, W. Simpson, F. Cullen, 21, lost to P. T. Darby, P. Morrison, V. Hunter, F. McGowan, 20.
V. White, W. Knox, J. Deakin, S. Randle, 13, lost to S. M. Humphreys, R. T. Butler, R. Morrison, A. R. Dalziel, 25.
H. Hall, K. C. Hamilton, S. Houghton, J. McKelvie, 20, beat H. S. McKay, J. N. A. Russell, J. White, C. Turvey, J. Watson, 23, beat J. Hovatt, J. Atkinson, 23, beat J. Hovatt, 18.

FRIENDLY MATCHES
The Kowloon Cricket Club on Saturday entertained three rinks from the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club in a friendly game of bowls and won by three shots, the final score being 53-50.

Purvis, Judge, Mr. Justice Lindell, led the Kowloon team, while Mr. E. Cock, Commodore of the Yacht Club, took charge of their team.
At the conclusion of the match, Mr. Cock on behalf of the Yacht Club thanked the Kowloon Cricket Club for their hospitality and stated that a return match would be arranged in the near future.
The following were the results of Saturday's matches:
"L. Jack's rink (Kowloon C. C.) beat A. W. Brown's rink 26-15.
"E. Lindell's rink (Kowloon C. C.) lost to E. Cock's rink 14-17.
"W. W. Hirst's rink (Kowloon C. C.) lost to E. S. Abraham's rink 13-18.
Total: Kowloon C. C. 53; Yacht Club 50.

JOCKEY INJURED
Mr. Ip Kui-ying Thrown
Heavily On Saturday

Mr. Ip Kui-ying, the well-known Chinese jockey, was concerned in another racing accident on Saturday, when he was thrown heavily while riding Fatshan, pony No. 38, one of the new Australians. At the half mile post he struck the sand track heavily on his left shoulder and could not rise. He was rushed back to the Jockey Club in Mr. Sleep's car, where he received attention from Dr. Phoon Sek-wah.

It is suspected that Mr. Ip has a fractured shoulder, but this cannot be definitely known until the development of the X-ray photographs. The extent of his injury, however, renders it doubtful if Mr. Ip will be able to ride again for some time.

MILITARY SOCCER

League Fixtures For The
Present Week

Following are the Military Football League fixtures for the week:

To-day
HQ/Middlesex, v 1/Kumson R. (Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m. Referee L/c Brothwell).
9th AA Batty, R.A. v B/Scarfords. (Military, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee L/c Bdr. Coughlin).
22nd Coy, R.E. v C/Scarfords. (Military, Happy Valley, 4.45 p.m. Referee Fus. Edwards).
40th Coy, R.E. v R.A.O.C. (St. Joseph's, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee L/c Moorcroft).
HQ/Scarfords, v R.A.S.C. (St. Joseph's, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee Sergt. Reeves).

Wednesday, Oct. 20.
HQ/Middlesex, v B/Middlesex. (Chatham Road, 4.45 p.m. Referee Sign. Tomlinson).
12th Batty, R.A. v B/Scarfords. (Sookunpoo, 4.45 p.m. Referee Sergt. Alcock).
R.A.S.C. v R.A.A.C. (Military, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee B. M. Baker).

Thursday, Oct. 21
D/Middlesex, v 1/Kumson R. (Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m. Referee Sign. Payne).
7th AA Batty, R.A. v S/Scarfords. (Military, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee L/c Purnell).
A/Scarfords, v 9th AA Batty, R.A. (Military, Happy Valley, 4.45 p.m. Referee Sapper Sharpe).
C/Scarfords, v R.A.M.C. (St. Joseph's, Happy Valley, 3.15 p.m. Referee Sergt. Whittle).

Football League
The following are the standings of the various teams in the Hongkong Football League:

Division I				
P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Kowloon	4	3	0	11 6
Middlesex	4	3	0	11 10 6
S. China "A"	4	2	1	11 6 5
S. China "B"	2	2	0	4 0 4
Scarfords	4	2	0	2 5 0 4
Eastern	3	1	1	8 5 3
St. Joseph's	3	1	0	2 13 0
Police	2	1	0	1 5 0 2
Club	2	0	0	2 6 0 0
K. Chinese	4	0	0	4 3 20 0

Division II				
P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Middlesex	3	3	0	0 12 2 6
Kwong Wah	4	2	0	0 17 4 6
5th Bde. R.A.	3	0	0	11 5 6
R.E. European	4	2	1	1 10 5 4
South China	4	2	0	2 11 0 4
Kowloon	3	1	1	1 0 5 3
Scarfords	3	0	2	1 4 6 2
Club	3	1	0	2 3 13 2
C. Police	4	1	0	3 8 21 2
P.E. Chinese	2	0	0	2 4 12 0
Eastern	3	0	0	3 2 2 0

Division III				
P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Engineers	4	4	0	0 15 3 9
Police	3	3	0	0 15 3 9
5th Bde. R.A.	4	2	1	1 10 5 5
R.A.M.C.	4	2	1	1 14 7 5
R.A.O.C.	4	1	1	2 7 11 3
R.A.S.C.	4	1	0	3 4 11 2
Stanley	3	0	1	2 5 10 1
Powhattan	3	0	4	2 35 0

Kowloon				
P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Portuguese	3	3	0	0 17 1 6
Scarfords	4	3	0	1 0 5 6
Signals	4	1	2	1 6 5 4
20th Bty. R.A.	4	1	2	2 5 6 4
R.A.F.	4	2	0	2 13 4 4
Kumsons	4	1	1	2 7 11 3
University	4	1	0	3 7 12 2
24th Bty. R.A.	3	0	1	2 5 8 1

Tennis Crown				
P.	W.	D.	L.	F. A. Pts.
Bunny Austin	4	2	1	1 14 7 5
Covered Court	4	1	1	2 7 11 3
London	4	1	0	3 4 11 2
Stanley	3	0	1	2 5 10 1
Powhattan	3	0	4	2 35 0

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TENNIS CROWN
Bunny Austin Wins
Covered Court Title

London, Oct. 17.
In the Queen's Club national covered courts lawn tennis Championship final for men, Bunny Austin (Britain) beat Carl Schroeder (Sweden) 6-2, 3-0, 7-5, 6-2.
In the women's final, Miss Scriven (Britain) beat Mrs. King (Britain) 6-1, 6-2.—Reuter Bulletin.

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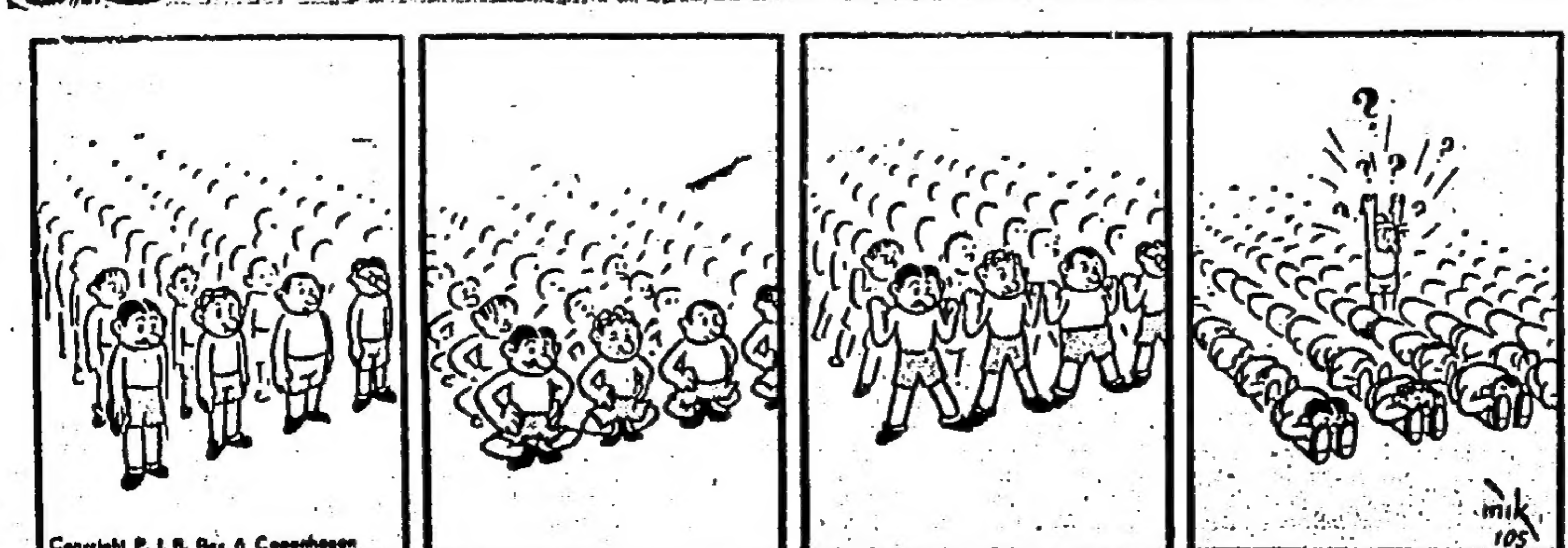
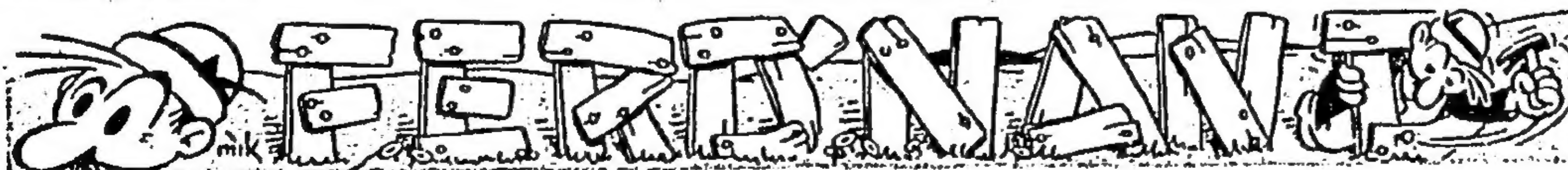
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JAPAN'S "Official" FAITH

(By Lewis Spencer)

AS a student of religious origins I have often reflected on how little is known in England regarding Shinto, the official faith of Japan. Japanese officials in the field are usually announced as being due to "the excellent virtue of the Emperor," and the precise significance of this and similar phrases which embellish the official language of Nippon must naturally be obscure to the majority of British readers. Islam we know and Buddhism we know, but what is this system of religion which has done so much to inspire the Japanese official classes in the struggle for commercial and territorial conquest which they have proposed to themselves?

Shinto (the word is pronounced as "Shin-to") means "The Way of the Gods," and is really a Chinese word, the Japanese equivalent of which is *Kam-no-Michi*. Shintoism is, in effect, the native polytheistic nature-and-ancestor worship of the Japanese people, and was, indeed, the only religion of the country until Buddhism was introduced in the sixth century of this era.

The two faiths very naturally clashed, but the difficulty was got over by the Buddhists admitting that the Shinto gods were manifestations of their own deities. *Buddhists' Compromise*

This admixture came to be known as *Yobu-Shinto*, and for nearly a thousand years it remained the State religion of Japan. But Buddhism made amazing progress in Nippon, so that the bulk of her millions were, and still are, of Buddhist faith. But in Japan began to adopt Occidental methods of progress, a great wave of natural patriotism surged across the country. The aristocratic and official classes, their rapid Westernisation notwithstanding, were anxious to stress and preserve everything that avouched of a national or racial origin.

So, with the assistance of skilled native theologians and antiquaries, they disentangled the pure doctrines of Shinto from the partly Buddhist type of it which then obtained, and set it up once more in all its pristine purity as the State religion of the country. The whole economy of Shintoism is animistic; that is, it is a religion devoted to the worship of spirits, ancestral and elemental. It has almost no ethical code, any statement or code of morality being deemed unessential for persons of reason and understanding. Yet a plea of outlook and statement, reminiscent of the Chinese, has gradually crept into it, of which the bulletins of Japanese Generals and Admirals are among the most salient examples. Its gods and sub-gods are practically innumerable, tradition roughly assigning their number at "from eighty to eight hundred myriads."

Ancestor Worship

The chief deities are, quite logically in a Nature-religion, the gods of the sun, moon and earth, of the elements, of the house, and others of more abstract quality and origin. This belief is, of course, merely an extension of the primitive idea that everything in Nature has a soul of its own, which is known to students of comparative religion as "the doctrine of spirits."

In Scotland, in ancient and pre-Celtic times, the aboriginal folk would appear to have possessed a faith very similar in its general features—a system of thought which left its remnants and traditions in the belief in fairies, who, we now know, are chiefly ancestral shapes, the spirits of those dead who dwell in trees, rocks, and caves awaiting rebirth.

Along with these greater divinities are associated deified kings and sages, but in Japan scarcely any object escapes having a spirit or god attached to it, from the wind that sweeps across the cherry orchard to the kettles and pots on the hearth.

But the central, effective, and official position in this spiritual galaxy is that of the Imperial dynasty, which is descended from the most important Nature god. The Emperor himself is its high priest par excellence, and certain estates of priests among the hereditary priesthood also claim a divine ancestry. Indeed, as time proceeded, the ancestral portion of this system of belief became paramount, and it is not improbable that this influence is chiefly of Chinese origin.

Shinto temples are severely plain, and idols are practically unknown, the representations of gods in Japanese art being due almost entirely to the debased Chinese version of Indian Buddhism which was introduced into the islands.

But each Shinto shrine dedicated to a god contains the *shintal*, or "god-body," of the deity, the symbol of his *mitama*, or "nugust soul." This may be a stone or a pillow or, indeed, any sacred object.

Above all, Shinto is a domestic religion, every house having its shrine, at which offerings are made daily with scrupulous piety. These usually consist of food and drink for the spirits of the family ancestors.

Many Festivals

The festivals of Shinto are numerous. The outstanding examples are those at harvest time and blossoming, at the ingathering of rice, and at the New Year. They are usually accompanied by music and dancing, and are observed as national holidays.

The idea of a future life is dim, and no very definite idea of a place of reward and punishment is to be found in the Shinto creed.

As Lafcadio Hearn, one of its earliest English exponents, wrote, it

Who'd be a Film Star?

by
P. L. Mannoock

FANTASTIC salaries, fame infinitely wider than has ever been achieved before, and work so glamorous that it seems to most people a glorified kind of play—that is the lot of those semi-real folk the film stars.

A few months ago, Marlene Dietrich sailed back to Hollywood with £50,000, her salary for her first British film, "Knight Without Armour," and is reported to have netted an extra £25,000 or so for overtime.

Income of the stars for last year have been estimated pretty accurately by official investigators. There seem to be round about 40 who are in the big money class. Some seem to get a lot more than others.

Clara Crosby, with his £85,000, and Eddie Cantor, with £35,000, net a fair proportion of this from radio; but this is not so with Warner Baxter's £41,000, Joe E. Brown's £34,000, James Cagney's £30,000, Ronald Colman's £32,000, Kay Francis's £45,000, Leslie Howard's £37,000, Fred Astaire's £22,000, Paul Muni's £20,000, or Stan Laurel's £31,000.

ARE they worth it? On merit, of course not. Nobody really thinks so, unless he is either a lunatic or a hypocrite. Intelligent stars admit as much to me when I get to know them well enough. The studios admit it very forcibly at times.

Britain's Lord Chancellor, with his £10,000, or a £5,000 Cabinet Minister, may or may not be worth it. Young miners at 22s. 6d. a week and young cinema attendants at 9s. a week are common enough. Surely they are worth a good deal more? Economists say "No."

It is only another example of competitive civilisation in practice. There are thousands of miners and factory girls, but only one Ginger Rogers, for whose services plump, solemn men in horn-rims will fiercely outbid each other.

Fundamentally, the whole thing is nonsense; but the number of young women who would gladly exchange places with Ginger Rogers is as the sands on the seashore.

Those who envy the lives of the stars may be interested to know a few of the drawbacks. Who would be a film star, indeed?

FIRST, a private life is practically impossible. Feeding, travelling and dwelling normally are out of the question. Mobbing, however flattering, is soon intolerable.

Your telephone number must be kept dark unless you wish constant pestering, not only by admirers, but also by unpleasant prattlers, blackmailers, sex-maniacs and cadgers of all kinds. In your fan-mail these may be stemmed by one person.

Greta Garbo never receives less

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than 2,000 letters a day, and sometimes as many as 8,000. A star's mail, dealt with by a staff, may include 100 demands for attendance at some function, 300 heartrending but spurious appeals for charity, 200 plots by amateur authors, and all kinds of queer requests.

When a star works, she works. A studio day means rising at 6.15, being made-up by 7.45, acting scenes many times over, both for rehearsal and camera "takes," with a hour's lunch break, often late at night.

While on a picture, time outside the studio is divided between sleep and preparation for the next day, odd moments being snatched for hairdressing, interviews and seeing snippets of the picture in the rough.

No nerve-racking is picture-making, with its alternate spells of monotony and feverishness, that a personal existence is to all intents and purposes obliterated.

Even between pictures it is apt to be curtailed. For, quite apart from the public demands that are made, you cannot do as you like in your own time, contracts forbid it.

Supposing something happened to you, and you could not work! All sorts of clauses are put in. Clark Gable is not allowed to play polo; neither is Robert Montgomery nor Leslie Howard.

Fennell is barred to Claudette Colbert. They found she lost weight when she played. Sometimes an exact weight is demanded when a film starts. Gary Cooper must not drive his car above a certain speed; Ruby Keeler must not skate. Many young stars must not sun-bathe. Tan is ruinous to that camera complexion.

YOU must not marry, either. If a contract says "No," I doubt if this clause is very general. Mountain climbing is forbidden Sylvia Sydney and Bette Davis. Going to sea in a boat less than 40 feet long is quite a common ban.

Warner Baxter is not allowed to carry a gun—I don't know why. W. C. Fields must not play golf; it might bring on his spinal trouble. A star who draws (say) £10,000 a year has a good many expenses, which whittle it down a bit. These, I know, are in practice unavoidable:

Agent's commission	£1,600
Income Tax	£3,000
Other taxes	£2,000
Manager	£700
Wardrobe	£700
Maid or Valet	£300
Wigs and Make-up	£100
Publicity	£200
Advertising	£300
Total	£8,100

If you happen to be a British subject, you pay income tax all over again in this country as well. The item of wardrobe only applies to clothes worn in pictures, not to your own private wear; and the "advertising and

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MARLENE THE MONEY-MAKER
netted £75,000 for one British-made film.

publicity" includes space bought in one or two of the little Hollywood "scandal sheets," which thrive on what is virtually blackmail.

Your own life means a certain amount of entertaining on a scale lines. For your career, if it is to continue, means that it is as hard work to stay top as it is to get there—perhaps harder.

UNLESS you are a comedian or a strong character player, it will be a condensed career, anyway.

Youth and beauty, as poets have observed, do not last for ever, especially in front of the camera's searching eye. Your own little world, no less than the vast world of your millions of fans, must be constantly impressed by you. Or so the theory goes. The result is that the star spends a fair amount of time in worrying about the future.

A wrong judgment, a bad film or two, an important person slighted, or an incident magnified into scandal, and you slip back instead

of going forward. Once you decline, you totemogram, as a rule, into comparative obscurity.

While you last, however, you are a demi-god. People will surge round you in curious, half-crazy worship. Some of them will venture to touch your skin, as if you were something magical instead of, as a rule, a very ordinary human being who owes far more to luck than to ability.

I do not suggest stars are not clever. Some of them are brilliant. But it must be a little frightening to be known to most people on the planet; much as a monarch feels when he realises his head is on the coinage.

IN fact, the whole business of screen fame must be an unspeakable strain. Personally, my heart bleeds for the illustrious victims. For all the money, it's a dog's life, isn't it?

Or is it?

Let us not deceive ourselves. Who would be a film star? Why, anybody would.

THE CINEMA IN RUSSIA

In Russia to-day there are 28,000 cinemas, as against 1,095 in 1917, and, though there is a tendency in cities where alternative entertainment is provided to support the theatre in preference to the cinema, the expansion of the Russian film industry is steadily proceeding. In 1936 attendances in cinemas throughout the Soviet Union numbered 650,000,000. These facts are contained in a report on the Russian film industry published in the journal of the British Association of Cine-Technicians. The report has been prepared by Mr. Thorold Dickinson and Mr. Alan Law, two members of the general council of the association, who were given every facility by the Soviet Government to examine the position of the industry.

The report does not review in detail the films seen by the visitors, but reference is made to one or two recent productions. The film most enjoyed was *The Last Night*, directed by M. Rainsman, which told an exciting story of Moscow during the night before the first day of the October revolution. The suspense, it is reported, was well managed, and the predominance of action over dialogue and the welcome presence of a thread of comedy made it possible to follow the film with a minimum of linguistic interpretation. The story was described as one which linked two families during that night: one was a working-class family, with every member well characterized and acted, the other, a wealthy family of the professional class, with every member lacking character. This attitude to those not in sympathy with the prevailing order turned a promising drama into commonplace propaganda.

The proper development of the Soviet film industry, the report continues, will be handicapped so long as the present policy remains unchanged. "The present vigilance in time have to be relaxed in favour of a regular exchange of ideas and product with the world outside." Natalia Potab, based on the Ukrainian opera of the same name, who had no knowledge of what had been done outside Russia in the matter of film at once dull and uninspired. "The trouble with the opera film was that, while the Russians were strong in differentiating between the technique of the stage and the screen, an undue reverence for opera, and the adaptations from one medium to another were inadequate. It is just this jolting, this constant international flow of ideas and expert personnel, which has made Hollywood pre-eminent in screen entertainment, superficial and insipid though the adaptations from one medium to another have been." "The two new-reel cinemas in Moscow seat about 250 people each and give a performance every half hour from 11 a.m. till midnight. Most of the cinemas are of the

newest type, these experts often act as irritants against insular and unprogressive tactics. "Hollywood, in the past, learned a great deal from the best Russian silent films. All Quiet on the Western Front was made after a close and sympathetic study of the Soviet masterpieces. The air of reality, the judicious use of non-actors, the social consciousness of the Russian film have all encouraged the development of the leading phase of British film production, the documentary film, unconcerned as it is with the production and exhibition problems of the commercial 'story' film."

HANDLING OF NEWS

The new-reel cameramen appear to have much more freedom than the directors of feature films. They are apparently free to record all the important events of the day and they are responsible for the selection of subjects, arrangement, direction, shooting, and editing. Short-reels are issued as soon as possible, and longer versions made later for distribution throughout the Union. The control of new-reels and documentary films is vested in the New-reel Film Trust, which is an 18 sectional deposits throughout the country, and, with the exception of the Moscow depot, each is responsible for the issue of one new-reel a month. Moscow issues five new-reels a month as well as 12 full-length documentary films devoted to historical, industrial, and agricultural subjects.

Very few foreign films are imported and the only two in circulation last May were Mr. Chaplin's *Modern Times* and *The Invisible Man*. The film section of the Central Committee on Art, which is closely associated with the Government, regulates the planning of subjects as well as their subsequent execution. It has power over the choice of subjects, the right to examine and veto the development of subjects in production, and complete censorship control of the finished product. When the committee has passed a film with the approval of the Government, it is given a private performance before the critics and leading members of the film industry.

The average cinema, the report says, has seats for 300 people, and travelling cinemas seats for 120. In both Moscow and Leningrad there are about half a dozen cinemas which present only new films. The single feature programme is universal, though in some instances a new-reel is shown as well. In these cities performances in the more important cinemas last from noon till midnight, with a short interval between each programme. The two new-reel cinemas in Moscow seat about 250 people each and give a performance every half hour from 11 a.m. till midnight. Most of the cinemas are of the

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NEW GROUP OF STUDIOS

There are studios in 10 cities in the Soviet Union for the production of "art" or "story" films, and this number includes two studios for the production of films for children. Moscow has two studios, Kiev two, Leningrad one, and the remainder are situated at Odessa, Yalta, Tiflis, Erivan, Baku, Tashkent, Akabadd, and Stalinabad.

A large group of studios is now being built in the Caucasus and when this is completed all the more important Soviet films will be made there, the quality has not yet reached the highest standard achieved abroad, and the leading Soviet cameramen are allowed to use European and American stocks when the subjects chosen demand delicate or exacting pictorial effects.

for the cinema. All regular players, therefore, divide their time between the stage and the screen, their salaries being regulated by ability and not by demand. Playing in studios by day and on the stage at night is discouraged. Leading players, writers, and directors earn up to 2,000 roubles a month.

The plan to produce by 1938 an annual quantity of 1,000,000,000ft. of film stock will certainly not be fulfilled, the report adds, but "it is safe to say that by now the Soviet Union is able to produce sufficient stock for its own requirements. In general, the quality has not yet reached the highest standard achieved abroad, and the leading Soviet cameramen are allowed to use European and American stocks when the subjects chosen demand delicate or exacting pictorial effects."

FREED GIRL RUNS FROM DOCK, KISSES HER MAN FRIEND

London, Sept. 12.

MISS DOROTHY FLORENCE BRANDER, demure twenty-five-year-old company director and first woman to face an Old Bailey share-pushing charge, ran from the court to kiss a man friend when she was freed after two and a half days in the dock.

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Farouk's Bride Says "I Want Paris Gowns"

REJECTS KING'S PLANS

Cairo, Sept. 11. INTENSIVE speeding-up of trousseau arrangements had followed seventeen-year-old King Farouk's decision to advance the date of his marriage to Mlle. Farida Zulficar from next February to October 21.

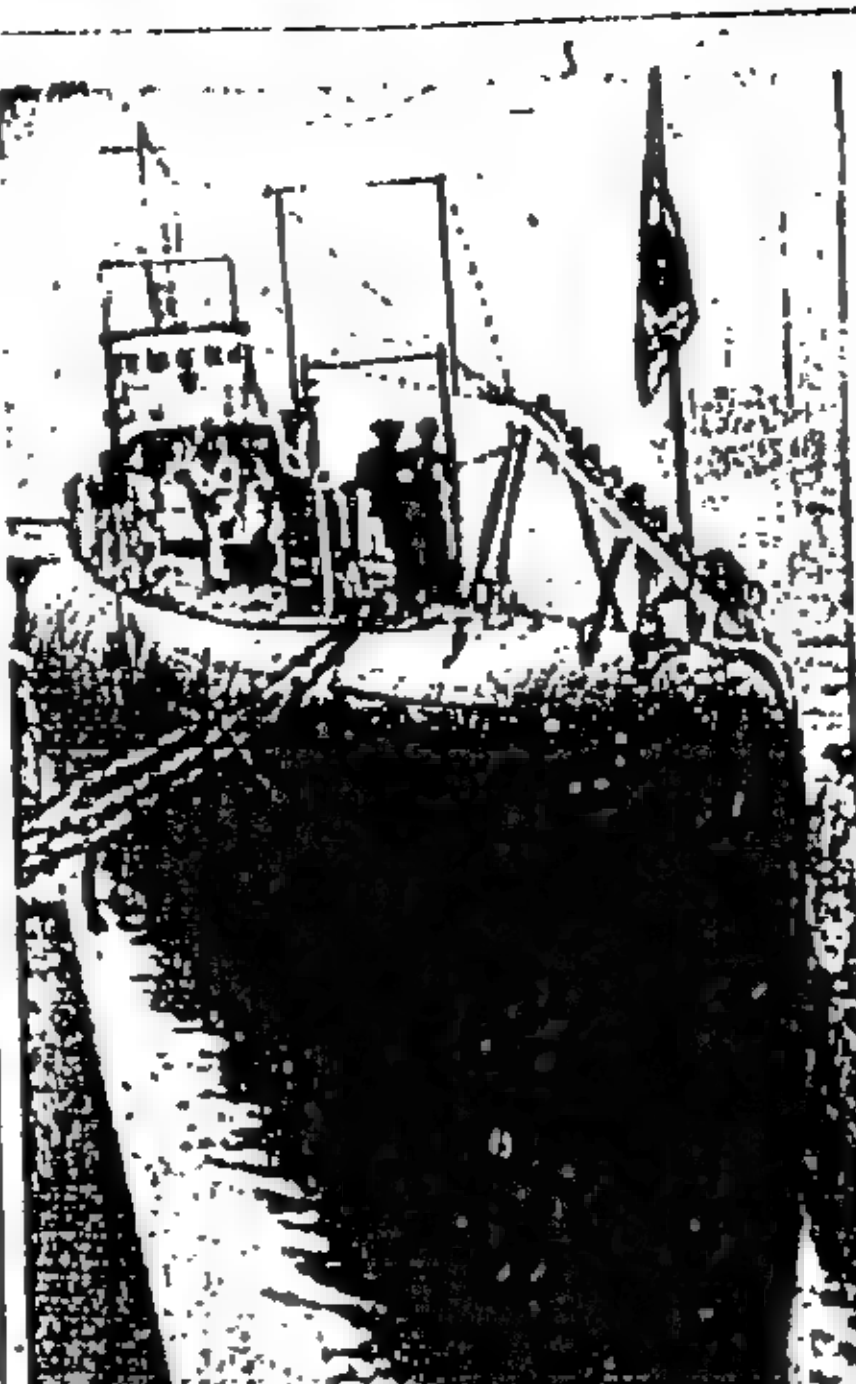
The King's decisions on this and every other matter relating to the wedding are being strictly observed, but he has been unable to overcome his young fiancée's determination regarding her trousseau.

King Farouk originally wanted it to be entirely of Egyptian materials and workmanship, but Farida, who received a French education, prefers Paris gowns.

Her aunt to-day said that rare lace has been ordered from Italy, while leading Paris firms are now making the dresses.

Only Farida's lingerie will be made in Egypt—it will be Paris designed.

The couple may honeymoon at Assuan, which the King visited last winter. He is now negotiating there for the purchase of an Englishman's villa on the Nile bank.



The mysterious torpedo attacks in the Mediterranean have caused trouble to the European Maritime powers and resulted in a meeting of experts to discuss methods of countering the piracies. The picture shows a modern submarine.

Woman's Novel Is Bought By 1,300,000

(By A Special Correspondent)

THE eye-brows of Mr. Nelson Doubleday, 6ft. 5in., New York publisher, went up when I asked him at the Carlton Hotel why English books were top of America's best-selling list.

"They aren't, really," he said. "English books may top the sales for a week or two, but a real best-seller stays there for months."

"In fiction there is still nothing to touch Margaret Mitchell's 'Gone With the Wind,' which has sold 1,300,000—a record for twenty years. At the moment Kenneth Roberts' 'North-West Passage' is the best-selling fiction—200,000 copies."

Those books by the newspaper men, Walter Duranty, Negley Farson, and John Gunther are going well, too; they've set up a new trend in reminiscences.

WE READ MORE "Some of your 'King' books have gone well, but in a much smaller way."

"I think you read more books in England than we do. People have only so much leisure, and in America there is much more competition for that leisure time. We've got very good movies at very low prices."

Then we have maybe twenty magazines with 1,500,000 circulation each. They cost 25¢ a time, and are first class. It all makes a publisher's job very hard.

"At one time 'Gone With the Wind,' published at 15s., was being sold in some of New York's big stores for 2s. 6d. It was a custom-enticing stunt, of course, but hard on publishers and booksellers."

"The Feld-Crawford Act, which I thought out, has stopped price-cutting, but while the booksellers are as happy as clams at high tide, we publishers have lost big orders from the stores. Still, I reckon it will work out better in time."

"But, d'you know, a town the size of Pittsburgh has only two bookshops and hardly any town in America with 10,000 people has a bookshop at all!"

CHARLIE IS NOT DROPPING CHAPLIN

Hollywood, Sept. 20. MR. Charles Chaplin has NOT deserted Charlie.

The little tramp with the wispy moustache and the pathetic smile and the bowler hat and the baggy trousers is still alive.

Miss Catherine Hunter, Charlie Chaplin's secretary, in a special message to the *Sunday Chronicle*, denies that Charlie has abandoned his famous character and is about to make his first talkie.

Charlie is at present cruising in his yacht off Catalina Island.

PAULETTE'S CHANCE He is preparing a script for a film, in which Paulette Goddard—you remember her work opposite Charlie in "Modern Times"—will be the star.

Charlie has no immediate film plans for himself—either silent or talkie. He is concentrating on the picture which will give Miss Goddard her first starring role.

"There has been absolutely no discussion about abandoning the tramp role," said Miss Hunter.

"He is committed to make two pictures with Miss Goddard as star, and until they are finished he is not thinking about a picture for himself."

Miss Goddard's first picture, which Chaplin is now working on, is known as "Production No. 6."

No supporting cast has yet been chosen. Miss Goddard has temporarily disappeared. She left Hollywood for New York a short time ago, and is believed to be staying with friends.

Another Hindenburg Ready Soon

Friedrichshafen, Germany.

The dirigible LZ 130, star ship of the ill-fated Hindenburg which was destroyed at Lakehurst, N.J., this spring, will be ready for service in April of next year, it was learned.

The LZ 130 is undergoing extensive reconstruction to convert her for the use of helium instead of the highly inflammable hydrogen which exploded and left the Hindenburg a twisted mass of metal and ashes.

Construction workers now are going over the framework of the airship to decrease its weight wherever possible because the lifting power of helium is approximately 10 per cent. less than that of hydrogen, which was originally intended to fill the ship's bags. Following the destruction of the Hindenburg, Germany discarded use of hydrogen because of its dangers.

Passenger accommodations have been fundamentally changed because of the necessity of reducing the weight of the craft. She will have accommodations for 40 passengers in 20 cabins.

An innovation of the new airship is that most of the staterooms have outside views.

The dirigible, designated only as the LZ 130 until a suitable name is decided upon, will afford greater comfort than did the Hindenburg, it is claimed. The smoking room will be more spacious than that of the Hindenburg although smoking will be permitted without restriction because the helium is non-inflammable.

—United Press.

Twins Die As Woman Answers Milk S.O.S.

London, Sept. 20. THE twin boys for whom an SOS for human milk was broadcast on Saturday night are dead.

The twins were born prematurely to Mrs. Thomas Dack, of Wells, Norfolk, at 12.15 p.m. on Saturday. One weighed 11b. 14ozs.; the other 11b. 13ozs.

Dr. Howard Lillie asked the B.B.C. to broadcast the appeal.

First to reply—there were forty altogether—was

Mrs. C. J. M. Abbott, wife of a Chelmsford (Essex) lawyer and herself the mother of a seven-months-old baby.

As Mr. and Mrs. Abbott drove almost 100 miles in pouring rain to Wells, Dr. Lillie and a nurse worked constantly to keep the twins alive with oxygen and water.

Soon after midnight Mr. Abbott arrived. One baby was already dead. At 9.30 yesterday morning the second died.

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Lloyd George Asks For Strong Action

London, Oct. 17.

The General Council of the Trade Union Congress claims a unanimous response by international trade union labour movements to call a boycott of Japanese goods.

Replies have been received from trade union organizations in the United States, Canada, New Zealand, Australia, Mexico, Holland, France, Switzerland, Scandinavian countries, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Ire-

land, which all indicate determination to carry out to the utmost extent a policy of boycott.

Characteristically in a fiery speech at Carnarvon, Mr. David Lloyd George, former Premier, attacked the Government for being insufficiently strong in face of the greatest crisis the world has seen since the Great War.

He appealed to Mr. Eden, Foreign Secretary, to take a bold and courageous line, and he would be amazed at the response from every sector of the land.—Reuters.

JAPAN'S FINANCES
Tokyo, Oct. 17.

The Yonuri, commenting on a previously denied report that the Yokohama Specie Bank notes were rejected for discount in London, said that it would be a serious event if both in Britain and the United States the banks refuse to extend their financing to Japan.—United Press.

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Graphic Account Of Tragedy

Graphic descriptions of the shelling and sinking of 10 fishing junks, allegedly by a Japanese submarine, in the vicinity of Chilang Point Lighthouse on the morning of September 22, were given by three of the victims at the Supreme Court this morning, when the Commission appointed to investigate into the matter commenced its sitting.

His Honour Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, sat as Chairman, assisted by the Hon. Comdr. J. B. Newill, Acting Harbour Master, Mr. J. A. Fraser, temporary additional Judge, and Mr. J. C. McDouall, Secretary.

Mr. J. Whyatt, Assistant Attorney-General, who is in charge of the witnesses, said the Japanese Consul-General had been approached and informed when the inquiry would commence, but he had intimated he would not be present nor would he send any representative or observer. The Portuguese Consul had also been informed as some of the survivors were inhabitants of Macao, and he was present; but he did not desire to take any active part in the proceedings. On the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Laborinho sat at Counsel table.

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire and the Norddeutscher Lloyd, agents of the s.s. Koying and s.s. Scharnhorst respectively, which took part in the rescue, had been told of the inquiry, but so far as he could see no one from these companies was present.

Referring to the evidence, Mr. Whyatt said:

Mr. Whyatt's Statements

"May I please you Sirs, I have been asked to appear before the Commission during this enquiry for the purpose of assisting you, as far as I am able, in the task which has been entrusted to you under your terms of reference by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government of the Colony of Hongkong. It will be necessary in order that the true facts relating to the sinking of these fishing junks may be established that you should have before you witnesses who can give sworn evidence of the material circumstances, and the object of my presence at this inquiry is to call before the Commission all the witnesses who are available who can give evidence in support of the evidence which the Commission is arriving at its conclusions. I desire to say that in calling this evidence I shall observe strictly the ordinary rules of evidence and in no circumstances will any evidence be tendered or any questions be asked which would not be admissible in proceedings conducted in accordance with the practice which prevails in a British Court of Justice."

"I do not propose before calling the witnesses to make any comments or to outline in detail the evidence which they will give because I think it is desirable, in an inquiry of this kind, that the material to be placed before the Commission for its consideration should be limited strictly to the oral testimony of the witnesses themselves. It will be sufficient, I think, for your purposes, if I indicate to you as briefly as possible the various classes of witnesses who will be called and the nature of the evidence they will give concerning the matters relevant to this inquiry."

Calling Eye-Witnesses

In the first place I shall call before you a number of eye-witnesses who were present on board the fishing junks that we are concerned with, who will describe to you the circumstances in which these vessels were sunk. Altogether ten fishing junks and although many lives were lost, there was fortunately a considerable number of survivors and of these, fourteen are at present in this Colony and will be called to give evidence. Their evidence will be supplemented to some extent by an officer from the British steamship Koying which picked up some of the survivors. Other survivors were picked up by the German liner Scharnhorst but as she has already sailed for Europe and will not call at the port of Hongkong again until she returns to the Far East in two months' time, I regret to say it will not be possible to call witnesses from the Scharnhorst at this inquiry to tell you what they know concerning this matter.

Medical Evidence

In addition to the evidence of eye-witnesses, I shall call medical evidence from the Queen Mary Hospital and the Kwong Wah Hospital. The witnesses from these hospitals will be doctors who attended to those survivors who required medical attention when they arrived in Hongkong and they will describe to you what they found when they examined these men after their admission to hospital. These witnesses, in addition to giving oral evidence, will produce as exhibits a splinter of metal and a copper bullet which have been removed from the bodies of two of the survivors and also an X-ray photograph which was taken before an operation was performed on one of these men.

I shall also call evidence from the Royal Observatory at Howqua as to the weather conditions that prevailed on the relevant dates in the vicinity of the place where the junks were sunk. And, lastly, I shall call a naval officer who will give evidence as an expert on the question of the distinguishing marks which are carried by certain naval craft with which he is familiar.

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Vast Italian Force Being Sent To Libya

Naples, Oct. 17.
The transport Toscana has left for Libya with 1,885 Italian troops and 145 officers.
This brings the total number of troops moved to Libya during the last fortnight to 50,000, and indications are that ultimately 100,000 will be sent there.—United Press.

Petty Officer Disrated

21 Years Of Good Conduct Lost

An Acting Chief Petty Officer was disrated to Able Seaman and forfeited long service and three good conduct medals as a result of a court martial held on H.M.S. Medway this morning.

Accused was Lanchlan Maclean Watt Gibb, H.M.S. Medway, aged 37, and with a record of good conduct extending over 21 years of service in the Royal Navy. He pleaded guilty to negligence and acts prejudicial to good order and naval discipline in connection with the stores of the submarine H.M.S. Rover over a long period.

The Court comprised Capt. C. Moody, H.M.S. Eagle (President); Capt. E. G. N. Rushbrooke, D.S.C., Captain on the Staff; Cmdr. E. M. Lely, H.M.S. Westcott; Cmdr. R. M. Dick, D.S.C., H.M.S. Dainty; Cmdr. J. R. N. Taylor, H.M.S. Delight. Capt. C. B. Barry, D.S.O., H.M.S. Medway was the Prosecuting Officer and Lieut.-Cmdr. E. S. Felton, H.M.S. Medway was the Defence Officer. Foreman—Cmdr. H. G. Oswin was Deputy Judge Advocate.

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Chinese Heavily Bombed in S'hai



VICTORIOUS TROOPS REST AFTER LIUHO BATTLE
Here are a few of the crack Chinese troops who smashed through Japanese positions at Liuho recently in heavy fighting in that area. Weary, they are snatching a few minutes' rest before continuing to new positions. These are some of the shock troops of the Nanking Army.

FRENCH THREAT MAY DEADLOCK LONDON PARLEY

WANT PROPORTIONATE WITHDRAWAL OF ALL SPAIN'S VOLUNTEERS

London, Oct. 17.
France has threatened a dangerous deadlock in the Spanish volunteer crisis through insisting that General Francisco Franco, insurgent commander-in-chief, demobilise at least four of his mercenary troops in exchange for each Loyalist volunteer withdrawn, which France regards as a "proportionate withdrawal."

On the other hand Count Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador to England, has proposed an equal withdrawal.

France desires that Italy withdraws 5,000 men, while Britain has indicated that she might consider the withdrawal of 500 sufficient evidence of good faith.

It is understood that France argues the withdrawal of 5,000 Loyalists will seriously cripple specialised divisions like aviation and tanks, while General Franco will not miss 5,000 troops.

France has assumed there are 100,000 Nationalist volunteers, including 65,000 Italians, while the Loyalists have only 20,000 to 25,000 volunteers. However, the Nationalists claim they have only about 60,000 mercenaries, including Moors. It is claimed that the 'Loyalist' volunteers include 25,000 International Brigade soldiers alone. Meanwhile it is believed certain that M. Ivan Malsky, Soviet delegate to the Non-Intervention Committee, will not consent to belligerent rights, though Britain and France may be willing to grant full rights, due to the fact that this would imperil shipping.—United Press.

Japanese Say Captive Priest Finally Freed

Tokyo, Oct. 18.
According to the Domei correspondent at Mukden, Japanese troops attacked bandits to the east of Antung and rescued the Danish missionary, Father Boyle, who was kidnapped on September 1. Father Boyle was undressed and tied when rescued, but it is believed that he will fully recover after resting at his home at Chwanggho.—United Press.

BUT CASUALTIES FROM ARTILLERY FIRE HEAVIEST

NANKING TROOPS WIN BIG SHANSI BATTLE

Shanghai, Oct. 18.
Japanese bombers resumed their efforts to locate and destroy Chinese troop concentrations, artillery positions, and munition depots in and around Shanghai this morning.

This morning's bombings included Tazang, Chenju, Nansiang the Commercial Press, a point near the north bank of Soochow Creek opposite Markham Road, and a point near the St. John University.

Japanese bombers and scout planes were observed over Pootung, Lungghwa, Hungjiao, Jessfield Park, Sicawei and other nearby areas, no less than 14 planes being in the air at the same time.

Other observers who visited areas which were continuously being bombed, reported that damage to buildings was great, but few troops had been killed, due to the soldiers being hidden in well-prepared dug-outs and bomb-proof cellars.

China Planes Raid Japan's S'hai Lines

Shell Splinters And Bullets On Bund Spectacular And Daring Attack
Shanghai, Oct. 18.
The city passed another sleepless night in the course of which Chinese planes made seven air raids and kept the Japanese warships and shore batteries peppering the skies with anti-aircraft shells and machine-gun bullets.

Shell splinters fell on the Great War Memorial on the Bund while about a dozen bullets struck the wall near the windows of Reuters' office and the cable building.

The last raid, which occurred at 2.30 this morning, was the most daring and most spectacular since hostilities started.

A bright moon and low-hanging clouds made conditions ideal, and more than 20 searchlights combed the skies, but never spotted the raiders, who dropped two bombs aimed at the headquarters of the Japanese garrison near Hongkew Park, though their effect at present is unknown.

Missiles, intended for the flagship Izumo fell ashore in the Japanese-occupied section of the Settlement and started a big fire.

Other targets included the Yangtzeop airfield. It is reported that an incendiary bomb fell on the \$1,000,000 Seventh-Day Adventist buildings at Yangtzeop, starting a fire which destroyed ten houses.

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EUROPEAN WOMAN HIT BY CAR

A woman, as yet unidentified, was struck by an automobile near Lane Crawford's store, Kowloon, this afternoon and has been taken to hospital, seriously hurt.

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Bitter Fighting

Bitter fighting raged in the Liuhung sector on Sunday, where the Chinese claim to have repulsed a fierce Japanese attack at Kwangfu, three kilometres west of Lieuhang, after a four-day battle.

A semi-official Chinese report states that the Japanese lost 1,200 men in an attempt to pierce the Chinese entrenchments on the Liuhung front, with the idea of bottling up the Chinese forces at Chapei and

Kiangwan, who have hitherto withstood all frontal attacks.

In the course of daily "routine bombings," the Japanese attacked Soochow, famous in legendary history for its beautiful women, and damaged the railway station.—Reuter.

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Further north Japanese troops have been constantly engaged with Chinese rearguards in open terrain. A Japanese report from Shiehchewang claims the capture of Tangshan, Nanhao and Weichichuang, towns a few miles to the east of the railway. Severe fighting preceded the fall of Weichichuang, which was stoutly defended by a thousand Chinese troops.

A Japanese military spokesman yesterday afternoon announced the capture of three small villages north of Hsinhsien in Shansi, which is 23 miles south of Yuenping.

Quoted in the Nanking report that a large Japanese force is isolated in the Yuanping area, the spokesman declared: "I am un-

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New sports clothes change from checks to tartan...

SUMMING-UP OF THE PARIS SHOWS



Slits up the side of this dark green cape divide the front into two loose panels; you can either put your arms through the slits and let the cape hang straight, or throw back the panels over your shoulders like the ends of a scarf. Shoulders are shaped and the cape fastens at the neck.

Underneath it is a suit, also in green tweed. Straight skirt has a box pleat in front; jacket buttons high and is finished off with diagonal rows of stitching. Brown leather buttons match belt and bag; woollen shirt is in red and green tartan.



IT'S good to see that Paris fashion-setters have realised once and for all that successful tweeds must be conventional.

No fur-trimmed jackets, fancy sleeves, plus-four skirts—if they are to make their way in England, at any rate.

The sports clothes they were showing this year struck me as being particularly well planned; sound, practical styles following the fashion at a discreet distance.

Essentials, as usual, haven't altered much. Skirts are straight and plain, still fifteen to sixteen inches off the ground; divided skirts (they never found much of a following) have been discarded. Coats are high-necked and strictly tailored, well-fitting without being skin-tight. They are just above hip-length and slightly lower-waisted to match their town brothers.

FIRST shows had a sprinkling of odd tweed jackets to go over plain-coloured skirts, but a later survey showed that these were exceptions. A far more definite trend came in capes—sometimes three-quarter-length, sometimes hip-length, sometimes only in the form of cape sleeves to a jacket.

Checks have given up their place to plaids and tartans; large-squared plaids for overcoats, small tartans for blouses and trimmings.

Now for the details—particularly two-colour contrasts—which make the distinction of the new sports suits. Schiaparelli uses a lot of two-faced reversible cloths, plain one side, plaid the other.

For instance, the inside of a blue suit was pink and blue plaid, which showed up in turn-down collar, lapels (they're important this year, remember), and in the inside of its accompanying cape. The jacket was reversible, could be worn plaid side out.

MOST striking pick-up of the two-colour idea came from coloured gloves and coloured wool stockings, matching a woollen shirt but strongly contrasting with the suit itself. To give you an idea, a rust brown suit was worn with a bright green shirt, bright green gloves and bright green wool stockings.

Make a note of these half-way stockings, they're quite new and seem made for English winters. In plain or striped wool, they go over silk stockings, come up to just under the hem of a skirt.

Buttons are quietly emphasised by being made in leather or carved wood, generally to match belts and square box handbags.

Picking out the points... Neckties are high—sometimes collarless cardigan jackets; woollen shirts appear more often than jumpers.

Lapels are prominent—tartan or striped on plain suits and the other way round.

Belts narrow—leather, or inset bands of material.

Materials: closely woven tweeds, fine woollens, corduroy (for skirts) and suede (for jackets).

Colours: Brilliantly clear plaids and tartans; warm tawny shades; rust browns; Indian reds flecked or striped with blue; olive green.

Lucy Milner

TRANSFORMING OLD COATS

HAVE you in your wardrobe one of those belted tweed coats which you wore a few years ago? It is probably unfashionable, but too good to dispense with. Why not make it into a wrap-over skirt to wear with a pretty jumper?

Take out the lining of the coat. If there is one, stitch up the hem again and cut the coat across just below the armholes (not any lower at first). Remove the buckle from the belt, but do not unpick the belt and do not take off the coat buttons.

Lay the coat—which we may now call the skirt—on a table. Button it

up, marking with pins or chalk the exact length required, and cut again.

Next take your waist measurement, alter the buttons to correspond, allowing a couple of inches for "easing," and stitch one, or if necessary two, pairs of press-studs to the edge of the wrap below the buttons.

The belt can now be tacked on to the skirt, placing the shaped end to the front edge of wrap, and allowing a slight fullness across the back. Try the skirt on, and if it fits correctly stitch the waistband in position, making it neat with tape or bias binding.

Stitch hooks and eyes at the outer and inner edges of the wrap at waist. Press and your skirt is finished.

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TASTY Ways with APPLES

APPLES are plentiful just now, and apart from eating them raw, there are many ways of using this nutritious fruit.

Here is an economical and appetising apple jelly. You will only need the parings, cores, and pips of the apples; the remainder of the fruit can be stewed and served with custard.

Put the parings, pips, and cores in water; you will want enough to float them for 12 hours. In the morning boil for quarter of an hour, and let the liquid run through a jelly bag without being pressed. Add one pound of sugar to a pint of juice.

Put a little root ginger into a muslin bag and drop it into the juice, which must boil steadily for 30 minutes, then remove the ginger and boil for another three-quarters of an hour. Test to see if the jelly is stiff and clear, as if so, it is ready.

Sweet apples make a popular item on the menu. Take some large cooking apples, which must be peeled, cored, and poached in a syrup of sugar. When you have drained the apples, put them on some portions of sponge cake. A cup of lemon juice, a little more sugar, and a spoonful of any kind of fresh fruit juice should then be added to the syrup.

Stir the syrup carefully until the sugar is dissolved, then boil very quickly for 12 minutes, and pour it over the apples when cold. Place some whipped cream on top.

Appetising Salads

A tasty salad is made by paring some apples and mixing them with watercress, with a dressing of lemon juice and grated coconut skinned on top.

For a still more original apple salad, take some apple slices, remove the cores, and soak the slice in French dressing. Replace the cores with olives, which have been stuffed with cream cheese, and line a salad bowl with chopped celery and lettuce. Then place the apples on top.

Pasty apples are delicious. When you have peeled some apples take out the cores. You will then need a good short pastry, which should be made with $\frac{1}{4}$ lb of butter, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of flour, a teaspoonful of baking powder, a teaspoonful of lemon juice, and the yolk of an egg. This pastry should not be too moist, so be sparing with water in mixing.

An apple is then placed in a round of the pastry, and when the hole in the middle of the apple has been filled up with sugar, the pastry is wrapped round, and baked in a hot oven for about three-quarters of an hour. Medium sized apples should be used for this sweet.

BUDGET YOUR LEISURE

AUTUMN is the time to plan ahead for winter and make sure that spare time does not trickle away unprofitably. Most people make some sort of financial budget, which they revise from time to time, but they do not always think of making out an estimate for leisure.

A busy woman can generally find time to do something extra. This is because necessity has taught her to organise her life. It is the more leisureed person who always means to learn a new language, but never gets further than buying a grammar book; who intends to do some serious reading, but fails to finish a chapter of a book; who plans to take more exercise—but cannot manage to fit it in.

Anything resembling a fixed timetable which covered every hour of recreation would, of course, be intolerable. It is only necessary to make a list of the pursuits on which you mean to spend regular time during the coming winter. Then decide how much leisure you can afford to devote to each.

Suppose, for example, that improving your French, doing some embroidery, reading, and getting extra fresh air make up your list. Determine to allot twenty minutes a day to French study, twenty minutes to embroidery, twenty minutes to walking and time for reading in the evening.

If you are unable to give the full time to a subject one day, more must be devoted to it the next, so that by the end of the week the account is balanced.

Twenty minutes a day mounts up to two hours a week (allowing for free Sundays), and to fifty-two hours in six months. This length of time spent on any work while occupation should produce gratifying results.

Good resolutions often fail to be productive because they are too lofty or too vague. A less ambitious resolve written down and checked up regularly is much more likely to bear good fruit.

The leisure budget can also include small matters to which attention need be given once a week only. The fact that they are actually in the estimate will make just the difference as to whether they are done regularly or only when you feel energetic.

Do not forget to check the leisure account at the week-end. All spare time not earmarked for special purposes is, of course, written off to general recreation.

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Genius Discovered in Prison Cell

Ex-Convict's Poems Praised by Famous Critic

'Keepsake' Tribute to His Friend

THE *Telegraph* to-day gives extracts from letters written in Brixton Gaol by an ex-Dartmoor convict to Sir John Squire, poet and critic.

Sir John believes that in this once "branded" man he has found a literary genius.

The letters reveal his innermost thoughts, his unquenchable faith in his own destiny, and his deep affection for a friend.

It was Sir John's appeal to the London Recorder at the Old Bailey last month that saved this ex-convict, 35-year-old Frank Arthur Stanley, of Southport, from another term of penal servitude.

Stanley was found guilty of house-breaking and of being an habitual criminal, but in response to Sir John's appeal he was bound over and left the court free to take up a literary career and determined never again to come within the shadow of prison.

Recently he began to write a book dealing with his prison experiences. Mr. Peter Davies, the publisher and original of Barrie's "Peter Pan," will publish it.

Short, dark-haired, brown-eyed and spectacled, Stanley has not the traditional appearance of a poet and writer, but his letters written from Brixton Prison to Sir John reveal his literary ability.

GIFT OF ROSARY

"The time is now drawing near," he wrote, "when I shall stand my trial at the Old Bailey. But I'm not over anxious about it—just a bit 'nervy,' which is quite understandable."

"As I have said to you before, I am determined, whatever the outcome, to face up to it as you would expect me to."

Another letter deals with his friend "Patsy."

"I have been trying," Stanley wrote, "to remember some more poetry for you. One is called 'Keepsake.' I wrote it after I was parted from Patsy."

"He was a Catholic, and he gave me a rosary which had been given him by a monk from the Trappist monastery at Mount Mellany, near Westford. He gave it me for a keepsake; and now it is lying unheeded in a drawer at home."

LIVED FOR POETRY

In his cell at Brixton Stanley lived for poetry.

"I was still thinking of Patsy last night," he wrote on, "and I remembered an appropriate verse from one of Adam Lindsay Gordon's poems—"

"I said, 'There is no greater bliss
For those in Heaven than dwell;
I lost him and I said there is
No fiercer pang in Hell.'"

"Foolish to think about it like that, you say. Yes, I know; but I also thought of another fragment of A. L. G.—something about 'And my hope is fed.' I said to myself, 'Well, that's something of Gordon's which does not suit my case.'"

"I also remembered the immortal words of Emerson, 'Let the soul be assured that somewhere in the universe it will rejoin its friend, and it will remain happy and contented alone for a thousand years.'"

CRITIC 'IMPRESSED'

"That has brought me comfort many times—much more so, in fact, than the oft-repeated text 'I will restore the years that the locusts have eaten.' Does it ever work out like that?"

This is the writing of a man whom Sir John Squire decided could be reclaimed from a life of crime.

"I knew nothing about Stanley until he began sending me examples of his poems and writing some months ago," Sir John told a reporter.

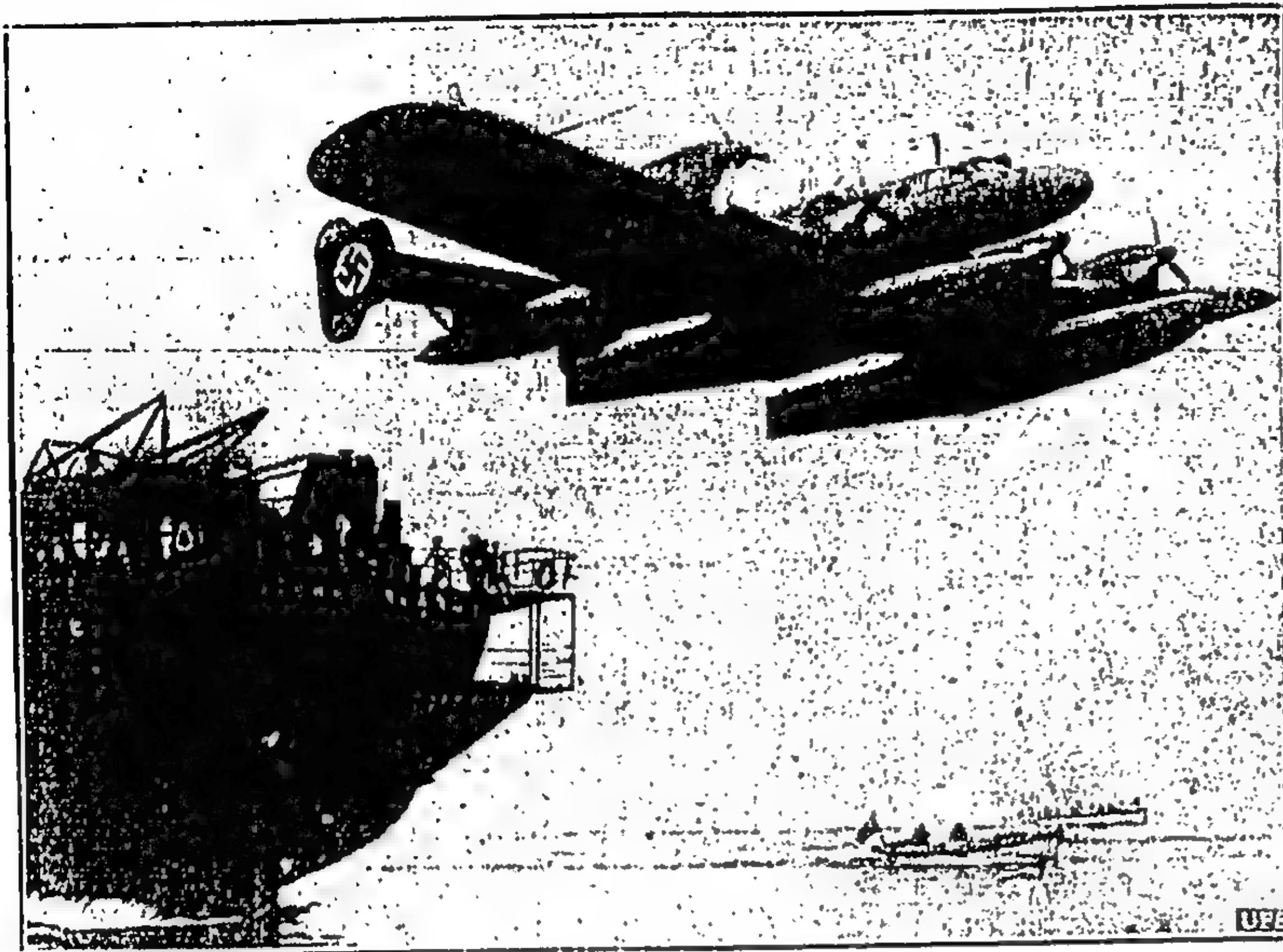
"They came like a bolt out of the blue, and I was deeply impressed by their merit and originality."

Stanley left school when he was 14.

Stout Women Can Have Alluring Figures

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Nordmeer, Germany's survey plane, catapulted from the deck of the mother ship Schwabenland, as the plane took off on the second leg of its first round-trip flight between Germany and New York by way of the Azores. The take-off was near Larchmont, in Long Island Sound. The sister ship, Nordwind, saluted the Nordmeer just before it began winging its flight over the ocean.

"THERE goes the richest woman in the world." A New York Reporter was standing in Greenwich, the city's smartest suburb, when a friend made that remark to him. He looked for a diamond-studded heiress in a limousine. Instead he saw an old woman in a dark, old-fashioned dress, with a cane in one hand and shopping bag in the other. He introduces you to her below:—

Richest Woman Has Only One Luxury—A Bodyguard

NOT one in ten thousand Americans has heard of Mrs. Matthew Astor Wilks. Yet she is one of the richest women in the world if not the richest.

Society, which she scorns, believes that she could buy up all the wealth of Countess Haugwitz-Reventlow (the former Barbara Hutton, Woolworth heiress) and still have a comfortable fortune left.

Mrs. Wilks is the only daughter of Hetty Green, Witch of Wall-street, who made millions out of stocks before she died in 1916.

As well as inheriting Hetty Green's fabulous wealth she inherited her distaste for personal glory.

LIVES ALONE IN 30-ROOM HOUSE

A few minutes after my friend had pointed her out to me in a Greenwich street, she climbed into a small and unpretentious car at the curb and drove off to her home, a thirty-roomed half-timbered mansion, where she lives alone except for a few servants and her beloved collie dog.

From the other side of the street another car started off.

"Her private detectives," my friend informed me, "The old lady has become nervous lately."

This bodyguard might be termed Mrs. Wilks's one extravagance and sole claim to importance.

She likes to move about her home town without being noticed. She takes no part in community activities except to post an occasional contribution to the Firemen's Association.

Once she dropped into a real estate office to buy some property, but that was to prevent the opening of a cemetery opposite her house. She has no yacht, no box at the opera, and very little jewellery.

She owns property in New York, St. Louis, Boston, gold mines, paper mills, and stocks and bonds in every American railroad.

She is related to such socially distinguished families as the Astors, Cabots, Lodges, and Lawrences.

but she dines alone almost every night.

A few months ago she walked into the courts to file her claim to the £16,000,000 estate of her brother, Colonel Edward Green. The colonel's widow thought she was entitled to the fortune, but Mrs. Wilks produced an agreement showing that Mrs. Green, on her marriage, had signed away her rights to this fortune for an annuity of £3,600.

'PUT ME DOWN AS FIFTY'

Mrs. Wilks's anger was roused when Isaac Pennypacker, attorney for Colonel Green's widow, asked: "How old are you?"

Mrs. Wilks snapped back: "Put me down as over fifty, and let it go at that."

A few minutes later there was a pause in the proceedings, and Mrs. Wilks, still glaring at the lawyer, demanded: "While you are standing there doing nothing, give me your name and age, please."

The lawyer bowed. "My name is Pennypacker," he said, "and I am also over fifty."

"Humph," snorted Mrs. Wilks, "you look a lot older."

It reminded old-timers of Hetty Green's famous court scene when she was in danger of losing several thousand dollars through the eloquence of an opposing lawyer.

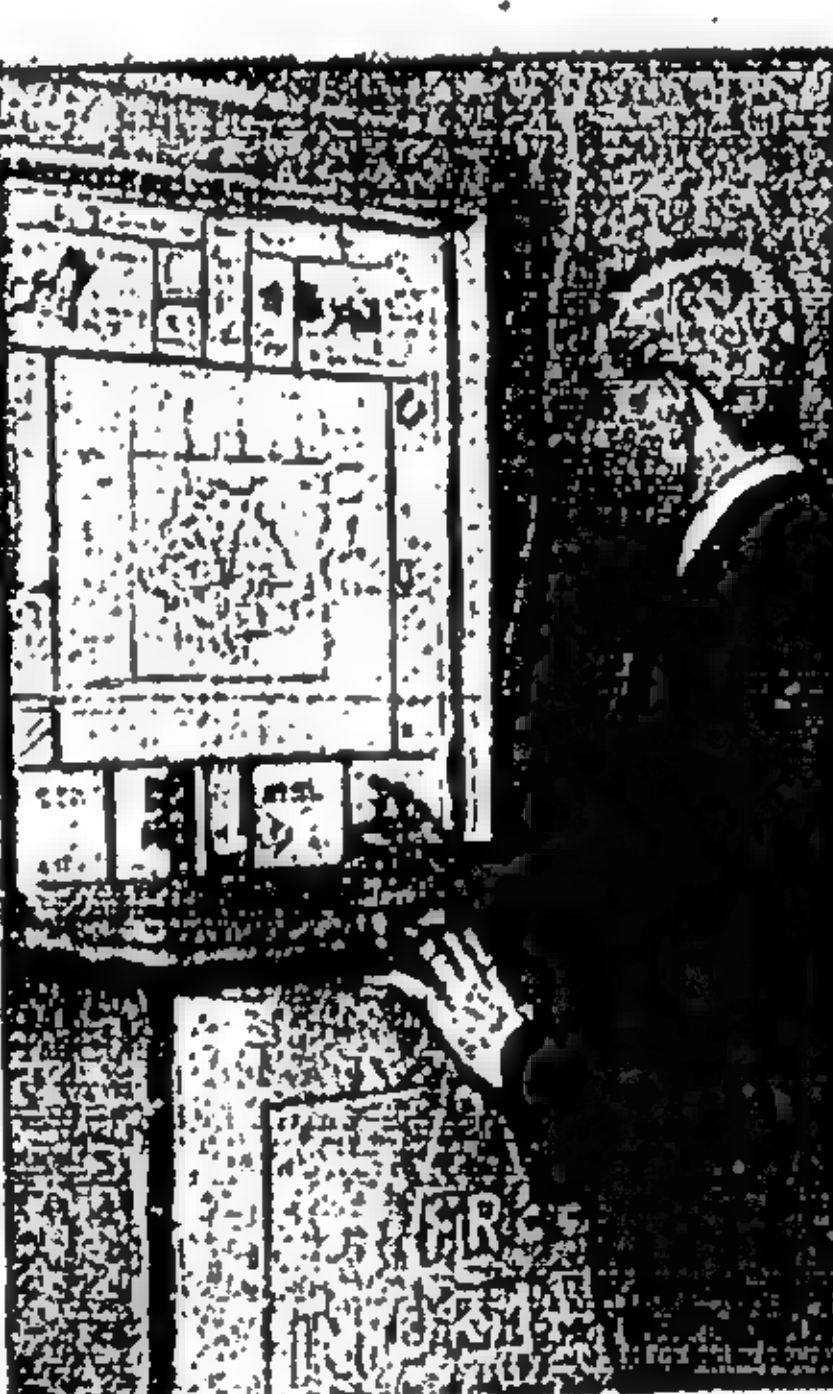
In the middle of his plaintive speech she rocked the courtroom with laughter by applying a pillowcase to her eyes and sobbing derisively. "He is breaking my heart."

SHE NEVER WENT TO DANCES

When Hetty Green lay dying just over twenty years ago Mrs. Wilks had to disguise two nurses as seamstresses so that her mother would not worry over the medical bill.

From girlhood days Mrs. Wilks has been accustomed to strictest economy. She never attended dances. Lights at home were always put out at 7.30. She spent her summers in a barred and shittered house in Belknap Falls, Vermont.

Her colonel-brother rebelled. Tired of his mother's meanness he spent



An English engineer Duveck has invented a "mechanical Policeman." The apparatus which is said to be able to answer all possible questions regarding London of interest to a tourist, is to be erected in the English capital. The inventor is here seen with his apparatus.

The Army Must Have Horses

THE Army cannot do without horses.

"Mock" battles in East Anglia proved this.

With hardly a horse or mule in action, the problem of petrol supplies, maintenance, and transport hampered the troops.

Bombing of headquarters and cars of the First Division created—in the minds of umpires—an urgent need for horses for the staff. There were none available.

Loss by bombing of the transport of a brigade emphasised the importance of horses, while the forfeiture of cookers and much equipment placed a great handicap on the work of the infantry.

much of his fortune in high living.

But even he could not escape the Green influence. Although he threw away millions he would never have the root of one of his estates repaired. Every time it rained servants hung up bunches of Turkish towelling to soak up the water.

Villagers Claim Long Life Record

Partridge Green

(Sussex), Sept. 20.

THERE is no joke about the oldest inhabitant in this little village that nestles in the Sussex Weald.

Because Partridge Green prides itself on not one, but a dozen old inhabitants, whose ages total nearly 1,000 years.

The village claims a world's record for longevity.

Fourteen per cent. of its inhabitants are over 70 years old. The average figure for the whole of England and Wales of people over 70 is only four per cent. of the population.

But to-day Partridge Green is mourning its centenarian, Mrs. Charlotte Goodwin, who has died at the age of 102.

A YOUNGSTER OF 90

When Mrs. Goodwin died, Mr. C. Pile became the oldest inhabitant. He is 95, older than his own mother-in-law—and every day he walks a mile across the common.

He is just a year older than the Rev. A. Johnson, a retired clergyman. Mr. Johnson, patriarch of an adoring family, is as fit as a fiddle.

And so is Mr. Tom Ling. But then Mr. Ling is only a youngster of 90, with a girl wife of 88. They have been married for 60 years.

"I wouldn't live in any other village in the country," said Mr. Ling. "It's a fine, healthy place and the beer here is wonderful."

"I've only missed my daily quart once in the last 50 years."

"I used to take more than that," he murmured, "but I'm getting on, and I have been advised to cut it down a bit."

"That's my recipe for old age. Good beer and plenty of bread and cheese."

Hero Blows Up Dump As Japanese Advance

The annals of Chinese martial history have been added to by a front line observer at Nankow, who has brought back the heroic tale of the lone survivor of a Chinese battalion which was completely wiped out in the sanguinary fighting at the Great Wall pass recently.

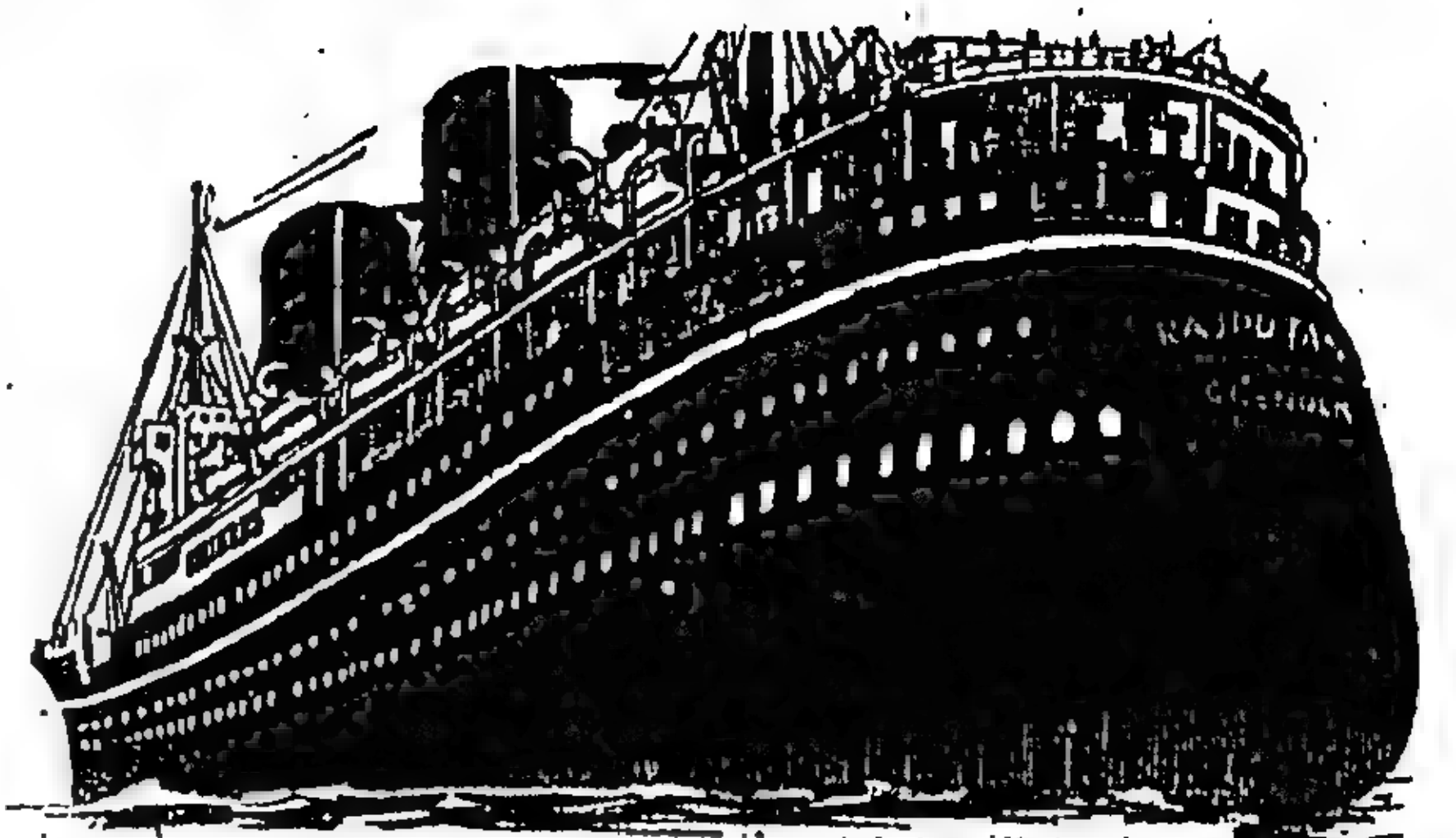
The soldier was one of several hundred holding a strategic position in the rocky crags around the Pass, stubbornly fighting back wave after wave of Japanese attacks for many consecutive days. Shells, shrapnel, machine-gun bullets and aeroplane bombs from the attacking Japanese forces finally reduced the battalion to the one soldier and a large quantity of hand-grenades, machine-gun ammunition, rifle bullets, and other supplies.

Taking stock of the situation, the lone survivor decided that although he would not be able to stop the final Japanese offensive that was sure to come, it would not do for the supplies to fall into Japanese hands.

With the aid of dry batteries and wires from a field communications outfit, he improvised a rough detonator out of hand grenades. He then piled the remaining hand grenades and ammunition over this, concealed the wires, and retreated to a nearby hill, from which point he kept a close watch on the Japanese movements.

Early the next morning, the Japanese launched their final drive, and the discovery of the pile of ammunition and grenades attracted a squad of the attackers. At an opportune moment, the lone survivor set his apparatus to work and blew up the pile of explosives, killing all Japanese soldiers within a radius of many yards.

The survivor, whose name has not been disclosed, has been given a handsome reward for his heroic act.



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Messrs. Goddard and Douglas in the

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10.00 a.m. on Monday, 18th October,

1937.

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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO.

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FROM U. S. A.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby

informed that same will arrive per

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latter vessel at ship's tackle at the

buoy, in consignees lighters only.

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Charged with being concerned in

an armed highway robbery on Ken-

edy Road on October 14, Au Chi,

27, carpenter, of Annam, and Shum

Tak-lin, 23, married woman, from

British New Guinea, were brought

before Mr. V. Schofield at the Cen-

tral Magistrate's Court this morning,

and remanded for three days. Detective

Sub-inspector W. M. Danks pre-

sented. Defendants were alleged to

have been armed with a knife when

they robbed the complainant, Lam

Wo-yuk.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Hong Kong Cricket Club.

The Annual General Meeting will be held in the Pavilion on Monday, the 25th October, 1937, at 5.30 p.m.

A. K. MACKENZIE,

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Hongkong, 18th Oct., 1937.

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TO THE
CINEMAS

"Sarotog" (King's Theatre, to-day).—A colourful story of the American turf, with Clark Gable and Jean Harlow as the principals. This was the last picture made by the latter before she died.

"Riding On Air" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—Actually the story makes little in a Joe E. Brown picture these who like him are amused by his drolleries, but in this film he has a plot which suits him down to the ground.

"Hollywood Cowboy" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—George O'Brien in another role at which he is so good. He is aided by Cecilia Parker and a capable cast.

"They Gave Him A Gun" (Oriental Theatre).—An interesting psychological story of modern American life. Treated to use a gun during the World War, Franchot Tone is good for little else in 1937. Finely acted by Tone, Spencer Tracy and Gladys George.

"China Seas" (Star Theatre, to-day).—Another picture now showing with Clark Gable, Jean Harlow in the chief parts. They are aided by Wallace Beery.

"Good Old Soak" (Majestic Theatre, to-day).—Wallace Beery as a lovable old drunk.

LONDON'S ALL-NIGHT

LIFE

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where I had to sign a printed

form stating that I had lost my

invitation.

"O.K." and Initials

A FOURTH party let

me in without this

formality, once they had tele-

phoned to verify the fact that I

had a wine order. The porter

there scribbled "O.K." and his

initials on a card, and that I

kept to serve as my introduc-

tion to a fifth.

So I was able to go from one

party to another. Half of them

told me they had given up

cabaret "for August," but two

admitted that the real reason

was fear of heavy fines.

One "host" said: "Risky

songs pay us just as well as

nudity, and they're cheaper.

Strip-tease and fan-dancing are

too risky now."

His comment was confirmed

by my taxi-driver, who said to

me: "A month ago you could see

in Paris, or more, in a dozen places

round here. Now I couldn't

take you to one. They've got

the wind up."

Dr. E. Stanley Jones, world-famous

writer and preacher (author of

"Christ of the Indian Road" etc.)

will speak in the Kowloon Union

Church Hall, Jordan Road to-night,

at 9 p.m. Everyone will be wel-

come.

LETTERS TO THE
EDITOR

Hongkong And Canton

To the Editor,

Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—With the destruction of the

Kowloon-Canton Railway line the

last means of communication be-

tween Hongkong and Canton has

been destroyed there being no road

traffic between the two places so far.

This has evidently isolated not

only Canton but Hongkong which

depends upon Canton for its business

and food supplies. Canton being the

most important southern metropolis

of China and a place of business

Japan's object in destroying the

Kowloon-Canton line has been two-

fold. The first is perhaps to compel

the Chinese authorities to open the

river blockade, and secondly to stop

the alleged transhipment of muni-

cations stores to Canton on the line.

The River has been blocked by the

Chinese and the railway now by the

Japanese. The effect on the trade

and commerce and the general living

conditions in Hongkong will be un-

imaginable if this double blockade

not only of Canton but also of Hong-

kong continues.

What has the Government of

Hongkong done in the matter?

The danger to the Kowloon-Canton

Railway, part of which is owned by

the British and in which there is

still large British investment, had

been present for the last few weeks

since the Chinese Hankow line came

up for the Japanese attention, and it

must have been anticipated an even

longer time after the Japanese de-

clared their intention of a blockade

of China coast. May we know what

steps were taken to tide over the

present situation in Hongkong?

The least that the Government of

Hongkong can do is to run at least

one small steamer like the Sul Tai

once a day at least with mails,

passengers and cargo escorted by a

British gunboat and in agreement

with the Japanese and the Chinese,

so that the former shall not bomb

the boat and the latter will leave a

small channel open for the boat as

s.s. On Lee did for some time. Can

this or something like this not be

done by the Government of Hong-

kong? The Government must move

to protect the general interests of

the Colony and its residents.

Try to Move.

We are unable to publish the letter

"A Personal message to Mr. Vera

Pro Gratias"—Ed., Hongkong Tele-

graph.

SUBMARINE MENACE

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account of engine-trouble during the

preceding night.

We were small, insignificant to

outward seeming. Actually, we

were as heavily armed and as swift

as a destroyer. Because of our

dragged shamesomeness we were not

worth waiting a torpedo upon.

We were fair target for Fritz's guns.

Or so we hoped—through many

months. Then, one dawn, our hopes

frustrated.

Fritz inspected us suspiciously

through his periscope. He questioned

around us at close range, and we

saw him have a long, hard look at

charges, but preferred to make sure.

The puny party abandoned ship in

two boats. Apparently she was now

deserted, derelict. Probably Fritz

wanted target practice, or maybe he

wanted stores.

He opened fire, hit us repeatedly,

and we set off smoke-boxes to give

the impression we were deserted

and ablaze. He came nearer until he

was within point-blank range.

He intended to question the boats,

which laid off about a thousand

yards away, but "Up guns!" was the

order aboard us. Our camouflage

dropped. The guns leaped out.

They were trained in a flash.

Before the first disguising plate

was down Fritz started to submerge,

obviously with the intention of

giving us a torpedo, but a shell got

him in a vulnerable spot, preventing

him from diving.

He then turned, desperately, to

fight. One 4.1 gun against our two

four-inchers. We hit him again. He

hit us, and finding the duel grow-

ing hot, we suddenly increased to full

speed and gave him our bow.

We carved a rent in his whaleback

and he dived, but as he did so we

PETTY OFFICER
DISRATED

(Continued from Page 1.)

know to exist during June, July and August, 4, between April 20, 1935 and August 23, 1937, failed to report that he had in his possession only one of the two keys of the spirit locker knowing that there should be two keys whereby the security of the locker was endangered; 5, between September 2, 1936 and August 23, 1937, negligently kept the provision account of H.M.S. Rover whereby stocks remaining on August 23 did not agree with the remains calculated to that date in the victualling account; 6, between April 20, 1935, and August 23, 1937, failed to keep a rum issue book in H.M.S. Rover.

PLEADS PAST SERVICE

In mitigation, accused said: In pleading guilty to all the charges, I have admitted four cases of neglect of duty which have, in effect, been the cause of the first, and most serious, charge of counterfeiting the seals of ten empty rum jars. I made a serious mistake in not reporting in the first instance when I discovered that three jars had been emptied. As I was responsible both for the keys of the store and the keys of the spirit locker inside, any loss of the stores for which I was responsible would have appeared directly due to me.

In actual fact, the manhole door to the coxswain's store could not be made secure with the existing fittings; it was possible to unsecure and slide out the door with the security bar in position and padlocked. I was not aware of the fact, and apparently I had escaped the notice of those in authority during the seven years Rover has been in commission. At the preliminary investigation, this method of opening the store was demonstrated by an Officer of the Court of Enquiry. A signal was made on August 28, 1937 from the Commodore, Hongkong, ordering submarines to take steps to ensure the safety of their spirit lockers; a copy of this signal is attached.

When I discovered the first loss of spirit, I realised the seriousness of my position, and I decided not to report the loss. Although I am not prepared to call any medical evidence, I am of the opinion that I could not have been in any normal state of mind and alertness. I had nearly completed my time on the station; H.M.S. Rover returned to Hongkong at short notice, and the sudden change of programme threw extra work on my shoulders; this I found particularly trying during the hot Hongkong summer.

The initial loss of rum was followed by further losses, and I then felt it was too late to attempt to clear myself. I had already passed through a period of mental distress after the first incident, and in consequence my accountability of other stores became inaccurate.

With regard to the fourth charge, I wish to state that only one key of the spirit locker was turned over to me. I do not wish to dispute my guilt in not reporting the absence of a second key, but would point out that the padlock is very small and of a pattern which is in general use. As I had both keys to the spirit locker, the absence of the duplicate key for the small lock did not cause me any misgivings.

I wish to take the opportunity of bringing before the Court the record of my past service in the Royal Navy. I volunteered for service during the war of the age of 15½, and after surviving the explosion in H.M.A.S. Clifton I was rated an Able Seaman in 1919. Two years later I was rated Leading Seaman, and within a year had passed for Petty Officer, but did not reach this rate until some years later owing to the stagnation in advancement to higher rating at that period. In 1921 I passed educationally and professionally for Warrant Officer, but in 1933 failed in one subject during the final test and did not achieve my ambition. Including boy's time, I have served 21 years in the service, and have borne a "Very Good" character throughout. I am due to complete my time for pension in 1941.

I do not intend to call any witnesses as to character. The former Commanding Officer and two First Lieutenants of Rover with whom I served have returned to England.

I feel that, when considering sentence, the Court will take into account my long record of continuous "Very Good" character and endeavour. Further, I would appeal to the Court to give every consideration to the effect of the sentence on my future. I have only a short time to serve in which to attempt to restore my former character, and the consequences of my lapse can affect the whole of my future life.

Accused's Service Certificate was read after which the Court considered its sentence and imposed it as above.

PRISON FOR
BANISHEE

Pleading guilty to a charge of breach of the deportation ordinance before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell, Puisne Judge, at the opening of the Criminal Sessions at the Supreme Court this morning, a man Li Ching was sentenced to two years and a labour for the offence. Li was banished from Hongkong for 10 years on September 11, 1934 and was arrested here last month.

Mr. M. J. Abbott who prosecuted accused and defendant had two previous convictions for larceny from a person.

TELL OF ATTACK
ON JUNK FLEET

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I think perhaps I have now said sufficient in this brief summary to indicate to the nature of the evidence I intend to put before you and with your leave I will now proceed to call the witnesses.

First Witness

The first witness called was Lam Che, master of fishing junk 30 H.V., who said he was born in Yunnan 42 years ago. The junk was licensed at Cheungchau and Shaikwan.

Mr. Whyatt: How long had you owned that junk?—Several years. Can you give us some idea of its value?—\$9,000.

Do you remember sailing on a fishing expedition in September this year?—Yes, we left Shaikwan on September 17.

Did you sail alone or accompanied by other junks?—There were several others, one of which belonged to Fung Kam-sing.

Have you got a brother who has a fishing junk?—Yes, his name is Lam Shiu-po and he sailed with us on the day in question.

Where did you sail to?—San Mei. After you got to San Mei, where did you go?—We went to Chiling. Is there a light house at Chiling?—Yes.

How far away were you from the light house?—I could not see the light house where I was, but at night I could see the light from the light house.

What date did you arrive off Chiling light house?—It was September 21.

Were there any other junks besides yours and your brother's, on the fishing ground near the Chiling light house?—Yes.

How many?—Ten.

Fished In Pairs

You told us that you and your brother fished together as a pair, did the other junks also fish in pairs?—Yes, they went all together in pairs.

I want you to tell me, to describe to me if you can, the sort of formation that these six pairs were fishing in?—I must be given some models, so that I can arrange and show you the formation. (The witness was given six pairs of weights and an anchor and arranged them in a rather irregular arc, the paper weights representing the junks and the ink-stand the light house).

Can you tell me the name of the masters of fishing junks?—Yes. The first pair, Lam Fook-tai and Shelt Tai-ching; the second, Lam Yung-sing and Lam Yung-hei; the third, Lam Chu and Lam Shiu-po; the fourth, Chan Kau and Yung Yat-hei; the fifth, Fung Hing-wo and Fung Kam-sing; and the sixth, Li Mun and Ng Ying-kit. The third was my pair and the fifth was owned by Fung Kam-sing, who was the master of the two junks.

You arrived there on September 21?—Yes.

And you were there during the night of September 21 and 22?—Yes and the position that the junks were on September 22 I showed to you. We arrived there the previous day.

In the morning of September 22 the fishing boat was in this formation?—Yes.

What was the weather like on the morning of September 22?—Fine weather.

Approached From Shore

About 8 a.m. on that day did you see anything unusual?—I did not see the flag but I saw a steamer, whitish grey in colour.

What sort of a vessel was that?—A submarine.

Where was she when you first saw her?—She came from the direction of the Lighthouse, approaching the stern of the first pair of junks. (Witness demonstrated the position on Counsel table).

What did the submarine do when it came up the stern of the first pair?—The very first thing she did was to open fire at them with a big gun.

What happened to the junks?—They were hit several times and sank. They belonged to Shelt Tai-ching and Lam Fook-tai.

After that where did the submarine go?—She went from my junk and my brother's and opened fire at us. The second pair escaped.

Which direction did this pair escape?—South-westerly direction.

How far was the submarine from your junk?—Five to six times the length of this Court.

Did you see any men on the submarine?—Yes, they were Japanese.

Chairman: Why did you say that?—Because I have seen Japanese when I was in Hongkong.

Mr. Whyatt: What was it about their appearance that made you think they were Japanese?—On their outer garments there was a sort of suspender leading from shoulder to the trousers.

From the distance you were away could you see their faces clearly?—No.

"They Were Japanese"

Did you see their physical appearance, which gave you any indication of their race?—Yes. They were Japanese by their features.

How many of these sailors were there?—About ten and they were working at the guns.

Whereabout were the guns?—One on the bow and one on the stern.

How much of the whole of the vessel did you see?—At the time when we were fired at, the submarine was fully afloat.

Silvery grey.

What did the sailors do when the submarine came up to you?—They were working at one of the guns.

What happened then?—My junk was hit once by the side.

Narcotic Ring
Member
Sent To Gaol

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A sentence of three years hard labour was imposed on Leung Fuk-hour when he pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of 70,000 morphine pills before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Supreme Court this morning.

Passing sentence Mr. Justice Lindell said that defendant appeared to be one of a ring who did their best to ruin the stamina of defendant's race by supplying the people with the pills.

On a bail of \$10,000 in cash and a surety of \$2,500 a man named Yu Lin-sang failed to appear before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Supreme Court to-day to answer a charge of unlawful possession of a dangerous drug.

Mr. M. J. Abbott who prosecuted said that under the circumstances he was applying for the bail to be estreated and also for a warrant to be issued for defendant's arrest. Both the applications were granted.

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Narcotic Ring
Member
Sent To Gaol

A sentence of three years hard labour was imposed on Leung Fuk-hour when he pleaded guilty to a charge of unlawful possession of 70,000 morphine pills before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell at the Supreme Court this morning.

Passing sentence Mr. Justice Lindell said that defendant appeared to be one of a ring who did their best to ruin the stamina of defendant's race by supplying the people with the pills.

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formed of 10". He also stated that he lacked information regarding the situation at Nangtze-kuan Pass "owing to the bad communications."

Chinese Army Commander Dies Fighting

Taiyuan, Oct. 18. Heavy fighting in Northern Shansi resulted in the re-capture of Kwang-ning by Chinese troops, it was announced here to-day.

The severity of the battles is indicated by the heavy casualties including the death, for the first time in Chinese military annals, of an army commander, General Koh Mon-lin. Other general officers who died in the fight were Lieutenant-General Liu Chiu-chi, a divisional commander, and Major-General Cheng Ting-chen, in command of a brigade.

The three generals were killed while leading their men in a hand-to-hand fight with the Japanese. The death of a general officer did not demoralize the troops but on the contrary aroused further their fighting spirit.

Tai Fat-chui was the scene of the bloody conflict on October 15 and 16. General Koh was a full-fledged army commander with the rank of a full general and not a division commander.—International News Agency.

Hide-And-Seek Fighting

Shanghai, Oct. 18. Chinese plain clothes men and guerrilla troops are swarming Northern Hopei, the Peiping-Hankow Railway, Shansi and Suiyuan. A Chinese report states that the vanguard of the 8th Route Army in civilian clothes are lurking on the outskirts of Peiping.

People in Peiping heard sporadic firing last night. It is believed that plain clothes men engaged in a hide-and-peek fight with the Japanese.

The assumption of General Feng Yu-shiang as commanding general in the Peiping-Hankow Railway front has strengthened the morale of the troops.—International News Agency.

Hard Hand-To-Hand Engagements

Taiyuan, Oct. 18. Chinese reports do not admit the Japanese claim that they have entered Kuai-shui, provincial capital of Suiyuan, but state that desperate fighting is still going on there.

The Japanese were said to have been driven back five miles to Taihoniao after severe fighting at close quarters in which both sides resorted to bayonet charges and use of small grenades.

Another Japanese column is advancing on Kuai-shui from the South. The main Chinese strength is at Peotou.—International News Agency.

Pledges Support

Shanghai, Oct. 18. Chinese reports state that General Chan Shi-an has arrived here from Ningbo, pledging support of the Central Government, and offering his services on any front.—United Press.

Missionaries Freed

Peiping, Oct. 18. The last three Catholic brothers to be released arrived here from General Chao Tung's army, which has grown enormously and is beginning to take the offensive.

They said they would have been released a fortnight ago if the Japanese had not attacked.



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THE APOLOGISTS

The Japanese apologists have made much of the "holy war" theme lately. It has been their contention that Japan is fighting for principles, not for glory, or acquisition or the opportunity to expand, or anything so mundane. The outcry against the threat of Bolshevism to Japan, allegedly creeping into China from Russia, has caught the ear of the Japanese public, has been popularly received, and the chorus has swelled and may rise higher. For it is human nature to believe what one wants to believe; and the Japanese are human, in spite of the doubt in Chinese minds. The appearance of the apologists, however, may be a confession of weakness, or better, of doubt. Man, when confronted by the need for decision relating to conduct, generally makes his choice according to his conscience. If he takes a step thoughtlessly, and commits himself completely, he will defend his actions against all and any criticism, and will cast about for reasonable excuses. Happy is the conscience-stricken who can find an excuse ready to hand. He frequently becomes an apologist. Apologists usually feel they have something to apologise for.

When China signed a Pact of Non-Aggression with Soviet Russia recently she appeared to be putting into the hands of her enemies a very useful weapon. Such a pact offered a tempting bait to defenders of Japanese aggressive action against the Nanking Government. The Pact was registered with the League of Nations soon after its signing on August 21, for China wanted the treaty to be binding and registration was essential to make it so.

Article III of this Treaty definitely stipulates that rights and obligations arising out of treaties to which the parties are already signatories cannot be interpreted as being affected by the new pact. The only other treaty in force between China and Russia pledges them "not to authorise on their respective territories the existence or activity of any organisation or groups whose purpose is to use violence against the Government" of the other party. They also pledge themselves "not to spread propaganda directed against the political and social system of the other contracting party."

With so expressly worded an undertaking in force between China and Russia, Japan's accusations that the new treaty is an instrument for the conversion of China to Bolshevism, fall somewhat flat. The apologists are answered on this point, if any answer were ever necessary.

If Japan fears Russian influence in China her remedy does

I have investigated LONDON'S ALL-NIGHT LIFE

Says . . .

James Stuart

who tells you the truth
about "bottle-party"

• FAN-DANCERS

• STRIP-TEASERS

and

• JAZZ-SINGERS

I HAVE been investigating the night life of London—the life that begins after the B.B.C. has said "Good-night, everybody," after the theatre crowds have dispersed and hotel waiters have whisked away all glasses at half-past midnight, except for that one night a week when the leading hotels and restaurants have an extension of licence until 2 a.m.

It is at 12.30 a.m. that London's real night life begins, the hour when twinkling green and blue lights flash on, proclaiming the whereabouts of the "bottle parties" sprinkled over the West End and Soho.

The general public is scarcely aware of the scores of such parties held every night. Only when heavy fines are inflicted on the organisers for serving liquor to uninvited "guests," or for putting on dances without a licence, do people learn "what the policeman saw" when he spent a night out in evening-dress with a policewoman to accompany him and corroborate his evidence.

To Attract "Guests"

FAN-DANCERS, strip-teasers, and other nearly nude cabaret turns have all been offered to attract "guests," in addition to the privilege of drinking all night without fear of the law.

The term "bottle party," in fact, covers a multitude of entertainments, some elegant and patronised by fashionable women and "Men-about-Town," others more modest, where evening-dress is unusual and where even a cloth cap and muffler would be no bar to admission.

There are establishments where, from midnight on, smartly uniformed commissionaires will spring forward to open your car door and escort you into thickly carpeted foyers. There, after receptionists in evening-dress have inspected your invitation, and uniformed attendants have taken charge of your coat and hat, and after you have made your contribution of 7s. 6d. towards the entertainment, you will be ushered downstairs into a beautiful ballroom with super-tables set round the dance floor.

A first-class dance band is playing, shaded lights cast a glamorous glow over the scene, and many famous faces are recognisable. There is nothing to distinguish the place from the ballroom of a famous hotel or a well-known dance club; no signs of excessive revelry or rowdiness.

3 a.m. Cabaret

A WAITER takes instructions for the delivery of the wine or spirits

not lie in making war against those whom she would save. She should strike at those she fears. That is not advice, but simple logic.

you have ordered at least 24 hours before. Twenty-four shillings for whisky and thirty shillings for champagne are the usual charges. Your money is taken and sent by special messenger to the wine company, which is open all night, and your bottle is delivered in a few minutes, carefully labelled with your name and the date of ordering, which may be anything from 24 hours to several months ago.

Excellent food is available at usual West End prices. Should you have come alone, the host will hasten to introduce you to one or more beautiful girls who are delighted to take wine, or perhaps supper, with you, to dance, and to accept a few pounds as a little souvenir of a jolly evening.

About three o'clock the cabaret begins. Until a few weeks ago there would certainly have been strip-tease or a fan-dance and a chorus of dancing beauties in less than the generally acknowledged minimum of clothing. But heavy fines have ended that kind of cabaret.

Instead, a young man now goes to the piano and sings

song so suggestive as to be obscene and occasionally blasphemous.

Negroes sing "spirituals," tap-dance and make wisecracks which are often difficult to understand. The bandmen give solo performances on trumpets, pianos, saxophones, or guitars. Dancing goes on until dawn, or until the last group of guests chooses to leave, by which time the milkman is well on his round, the Tube stations are open, and the earliest shop assistants and clerks are beginning to stream back into the West End for another day's work.

All "bottle parties," however, are not like that. Three or four of the best may be, but in some of the haunts in Soho the atmosphere is different.

In these places a suspicious porter allows you to go down a shabby flight of stairs to a locked door, beside which is a little wicket. Not until an invitation has been produced is the bolt drawn, and you are hurriedly ushered into a dimly lighted ante-room filled with the din of jazz, shrieking laughter, and rattling glasses.

SUBMARINE MENACE

RECENT activities in the Mediterranean and adjoining waters point to the fact that the submarine is still a potential horror.

From the evidence, little real progress has been made in locating and destroying those under-sea menaces. The odds are necessarily in favour of the submersible craft, especially when she is actuated by piratical instincts, as these filibusters of the Middle Sea appear to be.

Speaking as an ex-submarine chaser, I testify to the difficulty of bringing such marauders to account. A remembrance of how we worked in the Great War may be of interest. The Mediterranean was an excellent hunting-ground for German and Austrian U-boats. Big, vulnerable convoys were constantly steaming from Gibraltar to Port Said and vice-versa. These ships were vital cupules in the national blood stream. Without them we stood to perish.

Usually the Mediterranean surface is slightly ruffled by happy breezes, and a periscope can hide behind a curl of foam. Fritz knew this, and his attacks on our convoys became so daring as to be absolutely imperlin-

Methods of Dealing with the Pirates

By CAPTAIN FRANK H. SHAW

ent, for the convoys were escorted by a whole mosquito fleet of small sloops, destroyers, and Q-boats, to say nothing of armed trawlers and other small fry.

Easy for the U-Boat

We discovered that the plan of action of the U-boats was simple but effective. A convoy trailed a smoke canopy visible for miles. The escort kept moderately close to the big but slow-moving merchantmen.

A submarine, surfacing, saw the canopy—anyone but a blind man would have spotted it. The U-boat then kept company with the Armada, out of sight, almost beneath the sea's

Alcoves are all around with couples sitting in the pale light. The host has no need for introductions here. Girls, not so charming, with rather raucous voices, come forward. The man who hesitates a second to choose a partner finds himself with two, and has then to enjoy a contest of vulgar abuse between them.

Drinks are obtained in the same way, by messenger, and at the same double prices. Food is usually bacon and eggs. Dancing is of the cheek-to-cheek variety.

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THE cabaret consisted, in the place of this type-I visited, of a Negro dancing with a white girl. There was no unusual nudity, but the dance itself was unpleasant.

Although every table had its bottle all night, I saw scarcely any drunkenness. Perhaps "guests" drink slowly because there is no closing time to worry about and because no "rounds" can be bought. It's a bottle or nothing. If the bottle isn't finished, it can be taken away or left to be consumed on a later visit.

Of twelve parties I visited, only one definitely refused me admission because I had no invitation.

The first party admitted me because I had an invitation and had previously placed a wine order. That party vouched for me by telephone to two others.

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rim, during daylight. With the fall of night it quickened speed and got well ahead. By daybreak it was fairly in the track of the oncoming fleet. Only its periscope was visible—negligible in the ruffled waves.

Fritz spotted his targets, usually the prime ships, let go left-and-right brace of torpedoes, and instantly submerged completely under the convoy, where we dare not drop depth-charges for fear of blowing off the sterns of our own ships, the force of the explosions spreading in all directions.

In this way, working in twos or threes, the U-boats could wreck the finest convoy almost in a breath. And there was no real antiodote. Guns were futile unless they showed on the surface. But when they did.

"Up Guns!"

Here is the way we accounted for one such marauder. We affected to be a slow, blundering merchantman, and dropped behind the convoys on

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Wife Spent £1,000 In One Day on Clothes—Allowed Husband Shilling a Week

(By Andrew Kild)

Kendal, Westmorland, Sept. 20.

LIVING in a small cottage near Kendal at the rate of eight shillings a week is Mr. Edward Smith-Wilkinson, widower of the woman who was known as "the Best Dressed Woman in the World" and "the Golden Lady of a Thousand Gowns."

Fifteen years ago the late Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson's expenditure on dress and jewels was the talk of London and Paris.

This 54-year-old widow, who inherited a fortune of £250,000, would spend £1,000 on dress in a single day.

She had:

1,000 gowns;
£50,000 worth of furs;
1,000 hats and 1,000 pairs of shoes;
Fifteen fur coats.

And her teeth were studied with diamonds.

Yet there was another side to the story.

And to-day good-looking, 6ft. Edward Smith-Wilkinson gave me some extraordinary details of his life as the husband.

WIDOW PROPOSED

"I first met her in 1919," he said, "I had been in the Grenadier Guards, and after the war was earning my living as a dancer and entertainer at Mallock."

"One night an elderly, short woman approached me and said, 'Have you a dance for Mother?' 'I danced with her, little dreaming that within a year she would be my wife.'

"She was Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson, widow, who owned many hotels. Later she asked me to become her secretary."

"Then I was formally adopted as her son."

"Eventually, she suggested we should be married. In fact, she proposed to me."

The ex-Guardsman refused at first, but later consented.

"We were married quite one morning," he continued. "She was then 55; I was 25."

"As we travelled by train for our seaside honeymoon, she said: 'Now you've married me I can either make your life hell—or the other thing.' 'I soon learned I had placed myself in a trap, and that my life for two years and 333 days was, in fact, to be hell.'"

HER WORLD TITLE

Soon after her marriage with Mr. Smith-Wilkinson she caught dress fever. She decided to win the title of the world's best-dressed woman.

Once she said to her husband:

"I always envied Jack Johnson, the boxer, because he had a world's title. Now I've got one, and if I have to starve I will keep it."

It was nothing for her to spend £1,000 on dress in a single day, her ex-husband told me, and then added that to-day he is living in a cottage on his 5s. a week pension and a few shillings he earns with odd farm jobs.

Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson, after her bouts of spending, would have pangs of remorse and cry out that she would be ruined.

"She tried to ease her conscience by economising on meals," said her ex-husband.

"At our hotel she would often order breakfast for one—and share it with me in our room."

I got sick of the whole thing. How I loathed those endless dress parades! But she dragged me everywhere she went.

"Instead of getting £1,000 and an open cheque-book as she had promised, she gave me a paltry shilling or two a week as pocket money."

"I had almost to starve so that she could buy another 80-guinea gown."

When Mrs. Margaret Smith-Wilkinson went to Paris she was feted and flattered.

MADAME ALADDIN

She was called "Madame Aladdin," and it was said that she had gold baths installed in her room and drank from diamond-studded cups.

"She continued with an orgy of spending," her former husband told me. "Life became unbearable, so I determined to make a break. When I told her I meant to leave her she packed up and took a trip to Africa."

"She died in 1924, leaving about £17,000."

"In her will she left me nothing."

The ex-Guardsman then set out to make his own living again. In turn he was cinema manager, cafe manager, traveller and guide. For three months when workless he lived on 7d. a day, and slept on the London Embankment.

"In May, 1935," he said, "I married for the second time. But I parted from my wife."

"A strange life, mine. I have been adopted twice and twice married. And now, in this quiet country cottage, I have found real happiness at last."

"For some time past I have been busy writing the story of my married life with the 'best-dressed woman in the world' in the form of a novel, which I hope to have published soon."

Japan Now Seeking To Secure Gains

Bold Overtures In North China

Peking, Oct. 18.

The Japanese armies are hammering at the Yellow River, everywhere except in Shansi, where propaganda for peace is blossoming. A Japanese military spokesman confidently told the Chinese press that a peace settlement will soon be effected.

A usually reliable Chinese source states that Li Shi-shao, former Chairman of the Economic Committee of the H.S.P.C., has left Peking for Nanking for the purpose of discussing peace terms, probably extensively in the name of the local inhabitants, but nevertheless at the suggestion of the Japanese.

Various so-called autonomy societies and newspapers, all of which are controlled by the Japanese military authorities, are advocating peace.

Foreign observers interpret this as meaning that the Japanese have nearly attained their immediate objectives. Hence they are using the Chinese to feel out and to ascertain if they can consolidate their gains by making a bargain.—United Press.

POLICE RESERVE ORDERS

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Inspector General of Police, to the Hongkong Police Reserve are announced:

CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part I. The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company will attend Chinese Company Headquarters on Tuesday, and Friday, October 19th and 22nd at 18.30 hours for Part I of Training Course—Constables R4 Tam Hiu Fung, R23 Kong Kar Yan, R43 Lau Chik Kai, R49 Lam Man, R58 Chiu Chun Ki, R60 George Chan and R64 Yam Ping Yue.

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EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

Gas Lectures. The first series of Gas Lectures will be given by A.S.I. (R) G. J. Grover and L.S.R.423 B. W. Simmons on Wednesday, October 20th at 17.30 hours at the E.U.R. Headquarters. All members will attend.

Patrol Duties. All members of the Emergency Unit Reserve will report for duty at their stations at 18.45 hours on Friday, October 22nd.

Dress—Khaki Tunic, Khaki Shorts, Cup no cover, Blue Puttees, Belt with Brace, Truncheons, and Revolvers to be carried.

Revolver Practice. A revolver practice will be carried out by members of the E.U.R. on Sunday, October 24th at 10.00 hours at the Kenning Road Range. Members will parade at Queen's Pier at 09.45 hours. Dress—Muli.

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Temperature Recovers

Temperature at 10 a.m. at the Royal Observatory to-day was 69, three degrees higher than the corresponding reading of yesterday, and the humidity was 40, one per cent. lower.

The maximum temperature yesterday was 75, five degrees lower than the previous day's figures, and the minimum was 62, two degrees lower.

No rain fell during the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day; the total since January 1 remaining at 80.82 ins. against an average of 80.84 ins.

The anticyclone is stationary over China; the typhoon is situated between the Loochoos and the Bonins, and is probably filling up.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; fine.

VATICAN ATTITUDE CLARIFIED

Support For Japan Categorically Denied

Report Called "Pure Invention"

The following telegram from the Vatican was received yesterday at the Catholic Mission, Hongkong, for the Apostolic Delegate, relative to the rumours that have appeared in the papers during the last few days with regard to alleged support of Japan in the war against China.

"News has been published in the American papers, communicated by the Associated Press, regarding the position of the Holy See in the Sino-Japanese conflict. The Holy See has declared that this news did not come from the Vatican authorities, is a pure invention, completely false, and obviously malicious."

The telegram was sent by Mr. Pizzardo, who is second in authority to Cardinal Pacelli, the Cardinal Secretary of State, and who was the official representative of the Holy See at the coronation of King George VI.

The report referred to stated that the Holy See was giving its support to Japan in the war against China, because it considered this war as one against Bolshevism. The statement has already been denied as fantastic, and the Vatican believes it was intended to do harm to the Catholic Church in China and among the supporters of China.

The fact that a special message about it has been telegraphed to Hongkong by the Vatican is an indication of the determination of the Holy See to make its position clearly known to the people of China, states the Catholic Mission here.

China Accepts Invitation To Conference

Nanking, Oct. 18.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the Foreign Minister, has sent a telegram to the Belgian Government formally accepting the invitation to attend the forthcoming Nine-Power Treaty Conference scheduled to open at Brussels on October 30.

The Chinese message expresses hope for the early success of the conference and the re-establishment of peace and order in the Far East in accordance with international law and justice.—Central News.

PENSION FIGHT LANDS NOBEL IN U.S. PRISON

Los Angeles, Oct. 17.

Robert Nobel, who allegedly during the past year has collected \$529,000 by promising to obtain for his elderly followers a \$25 Government pension a week, led 1,000 old men and women to a demonstration seeking a free radio station.

Police have jailed Nobel on suspicion of grand larceny and extortion, parading without a permit, and parading on a Sunday.

A riot ensued after Police intervention, and a futile effort was made to employ tear gas, but the wind proved overstrong. Finally the police arrested six of Nobel's followers, after which the throng dispersed.—United Press.

O.A.G. PLANNING MACAO VISIT

A press communique issued from Government House states:

"His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government proposes, if circumstances permit, to pay an official visit to Macao on Friday, 22nd October, returning the same evening."

"The visit has no political significance and was suggested several months ago and approved by the Secretary of State for the Colonies. Its postponement has been due to the situation in China during recent months but, as no such visit has been paid since 1933, the Secretary of State is anxious that this courtesy should if possible not await the arrival of Sir Geoffrey Northcote."

ARMED ROBBER IMPRISONED

Remarking that the robbery had been a brutal one, involving the wounding of the victim, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell sentenced a man, Cheng Kam, to three years' hard labour on a charge of armed robbery by two or more, at the Supreme Court this morning.

Prosecuting, Mr. M. J. Abbott said that defendant was arrested some time after the robbery had been committed and that three other men had already been punished for having taken part in the same robbery. The money stolen was \$801.2, out of which amount \$50 had been recovered, but not through defendant.

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LONDON RELAYS

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Wavelengths of 355 metres (845 k.c.s.) 31.49 metres (9.52 m.c.s.).

H.K.T. 12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Songs by Turner Layton. Heart of Gold (from 'All Aboard at Oxford Circus'); The Star and The Rose (Young and Schwartz); West Wind (Ager, Newman and Mencher).

12.40 Ambrose and His Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Miracles. Sometimes Happen Just Say 'Aloha'; Slow Fox-Trot—Serenade in the Night; Fox-Trot—Nan-Yait and Sun-Yait; Old Sallor; You're the Top; All Through the Night (both from 'Anything Goes').

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Grace Fields. One Night of Love (film 'One Night of Love'); When the Robin Sings His Song Again (Parish and Coats); One of The Little Orphans Of The Storm (film 'Queen of Hearts').

1.13 The London Palladium Orchestra.

Chu Chin Chow—Selection (Norton); The Valley Of The Poppies (Ancliffe); A Birthday Serenade (Lincke); Dreaming—Waltz (Joyce); 1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press; Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Variety. Sylvia Ballet—Fantasy (Delibes); Perambles (Dance of the Brides of Kashmir—Anton Rubinstein); Marcel Palotti; Comedian—There Never Was A Girl Like Mary (from 'The town talks'); Arthur That Hiscot; Extra Something (from 'The town talks'); Phyllis Stanley and Arthur Hiscot; Piano—Limehouse Blues (Braham—trans. Mayer); Orange Blossom (Mayer); Billy Mayerl; Vocal—Gang Show Of 1936; Ralph Reader and Chorus; Comedienne—Bluebird—A Bed-Time Story; Wish Wynne; Orchestra—Happy Memories—Selection—New Mayfair Orchestra.

2.15 Close down.

3.11 p.m. Chinese Programme.

3.00 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof-Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

1. Jubilee Stamp; 2. Serenade in D Flat; 3. Alone; 4. It don't mean a thing.

5.15 p.m. Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.20 5. Cotton; 6. Truckin'; 7. Promises; 8. Spanish Memories.

5.35 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

5.40 9. Smoke Dreams; 10. Jealousy; 11. South American Joe; 12. Peanut Vendor.

5.55 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

6.00 13. The words are in my heart; 14. Our little girl; 15. When I grow too old to dream.

6.15 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

6.20 16. Clouds; 17. Indiana; 18. There'll come a time; 19. My Gal Sal.

6.30 Children's Records.

More 'Very Young' Songs (Poems by A.A. Milne—music Fraser-Simson); George Baker (Baritone); The Adventures Of Careless Currie And Wilful William Part I—When Mr. Moon Locks Down; Part II—Careless Currie Meets Wilful William.

Uncle Charlie and Company Christopher Robin is Saying His Prayers (Milne and Fraser-Simson); Turner Layton (Tenor).

6.45 Sea Shanties.

Johnny Come Down To Hillo; The Hog's Eye Man; We're All Bound To Go (Terry); Raymond Newell and Chorus; Fire Down Below; Hullabaloo; Balay (Harris); Rio Grande; Billy Boy; Shenandoah (arr. Terry); John Goss (Baritone) and The Cathedral Male Voice Quartet.

7.00 London Relay—Crying the Neck; The 'Harvest Home' at Trelowarren, Cornwall.

The 'Neck' is the last sheaf of corn to be cut on the estate. When the harvest is home everyone working on the estate assembles to 'cry the neck' to ensure good luck for the year. The commentary on the ceremony will be given by Peter Sanders.

7.30 Stock Quotations and Hongkong Exchange Market.

7.35 The Mills Brothers and Harry Roy and His Tiger-Ragamuffins.

Miss Oils Regrets (Cole Porter); My Headache (Kazak, Johnson); The Mills Brothers; She's Funny That Way (Moret-Whitting); From Monday On (Crosby-Barris); Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins; Shoe Shine Boy; Rhythm Saved The World (Cahn, Chaplin); The Mills Brothers; Farewell Blues; You Rascal You; Muddy Waters; Shine; My Sweetie Went Away; Sweet Jenny Lee; Harry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.

8.00 Weather, and Announcements.

8.03 Chinese Programme—Relay from the Ho Ping Theatre.

11.00 Close down.

8.05-11.00 European Programme from Z.E.K. On a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.03 An Hour of Spanish Music. Spanish Dance No. 1 (Granados); Spanish Dance No. 2 (Granados); New Light Symphony Orchestra; Lamento Boricua (Hernandez—arr. Brito); La Rosa Oriental (Espigul); Conchita Suferia (Mezzo-Soprano); Granada—Spanish Suite; Cardos (Albeniz); Orquesta Odeon; Granada—Serenade (Albeniz); Ricardo Vines (Piano); Granddaddy (Calleja—Barrera); Princesita (Palomero—Padilla); Tito Schipa (Tenor); Triana (Albeniz); Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano); Oracion Del Torero (Turina); Gordon String Quartet; Soneto A Cordoba (Manuel de Falla); Maria



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9.00 London Relay—Empire Exchange.

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and the Colonies.

9.15 Vocal and Humorous Variety. Vocal—There's Something in the Air (film 'Banjo on my Knee'); Goodnight, My Love (film 'Slow away'); Ruth. Elting Humorous—Art; About Cruises (Frankau-Handley-Crick); Murgatroyd and Wintbottom; Vocal—I'll Bet You Tell That To All The Boys (Tablas-Step); Len Bermon.

9.30 London Relay—The News and Announcements.

9.50 The Band Of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

"Zampa"—Overture (Herold, arr. Godfrey); The Sorcerer—Selection (Trial By Jury—Selection (Sullivan); The Soldier's Delight (Godfrey); 10.15 London Relay—Big Ben.

The Old Folks at Home (Second Series).

MANILA SHARES

The following business done quotations were received after the close of the morning session by Swan, Culbertson & Fritz from their Manila office:

	Prices in Pines
Antamok	33
Atok	17
Baguio	Unquoted
Bingnet Consolidated	10.50
Coco Grove	21.50
Consolidated Mines	21.50
Democratization	21.50
I. X. L.	Unquoted
Parola Gumau	19
San Maurice	33
Suyay	19
United Talcum	33
Market Index	

MORE BABIES: AND SAVINGS INCREASE, TOO

BRITAIN'S babies and bank balances are both on the increase.

In the second quarter this year 6,215 more babies were born in England and Wales than in the second three months of 1936; and

Depositors in the Post Office Savings Bank, on March 31, had £59,000,000 more to their credit than they had twelve months previously.

These figures, indicating the upward trend of national prosperity, are given by the Registrar-General and the National Salvage Committee.

The birth-rate figures help to counteract the decrease in the first quarter of this year, when more than two thousand fewer births were registered compared with the same quarter last year.

The birth-rate has been declining in this country since 1873. Since 1921 the net reproduction rate, which was 1.5 in 1873, has

been below 1, the figure required to maintain the existing population.

Nowadays the figure has fallen to 0.75.

Sir Leonard Hill, famous physiologist, recently gave a warning that, if the present trend continued, Britain's population in 100 years' time might be only 5,000,000—little more than half the present population of London.

And the figures issued recently failed to impress him. "The increase is slight," Sir Leonard said. "I cannot take an optimistic view yet. The next quarter might wipe the increase right out."

"Rent, rates and taxes are too high. People will not have babies because they want to keep up a certain standard of comfort among their neighbours."

TEN MEN NEARLY HOLD CHINESE XI TO A DRAW

COSTA INJURED EARLY IN GAME

CHARITY FOOTBALL IN AID OF PLAYER'S WIDOW AND FAMILY

(By "Abe")

Chinese XI 4 The Rest 3

Playing with only ten men for the most part of the game, The Rest lost to a Chinese XI by four goals to three in a charity match played at Causeway Bay yesterday for the benefit of the widow and family of the late Wong Shek-ping, Eastern full-back, who died some days ago following an injury received on the field.

If Costa, left back, had not hurt his ankle so badly in the first quarter of an hour that he had to be out for the rest of the game, there is little doubt that The Rest would have won. They settled down more quickly than the Chinese and within 15 minutes were two goals up, the first as the result of a low drive by Evans and the second, a mistake by Soong Ling-sing, who headed into his own goal.

With Costa out of the team, however, the Rest defence became disorganised. Webster had to do more than his fair share of work, but this he did most stoutly and was probably the best back on the field. Rowlands was too steady for the Chinese forwards, especially in the closing period when he saved a couple of almost certain goals, and the four shots which beat him were not due to any fault of his.

LIVELY ATTACK

The Rest started very well indeed and kept up a sustained attack from both wings. Pearson, the centre-forward, was a live wire, and Evans was ever dangerous in front of goal. Both Bickford and Conkley were very fast, but Leonard had an irritating habit of hanging on to the ball instead of passing it to his colleagues in the forward line.

Spies, at centre-half, worked hard but found the Chinese forwards slightly too fast for him. Parker, on the left, and Hussain, on the right, were steady without being brilliant. The latter moved to right back in the second period and would have



Rowlands stood between Chinese and goals.

given a better performance had he made quicker tackles. His hesitation gave Lai Shiu-wing the opportunity to make the most of his passes, and if Hau Ching-to, the left-wing, had been more reliable, the Chinese would have given Rowlands a more harassing time.

Wong Wah-gay started very shakily in the Chinese goal, but improved as the game progressed. In the end, he was prominent with some timely interceptions. Li Tin-sang, as usual, was very steady and was given good support by Mak Shiu-hon. Soong Ling-sing made one or two blunders; otherwise fault could not be found with him. Lau Hung-choi was a staid wing half than Chung Kim-fai.

LAI SHIU-WING DANGEROUS

Lai Shiu-wing was by far the most dangerous man in the Chinese forward line, with Lee Tack-kee a close second. Lau Chung-sang, at centre-forward, was a failure, and Cheng Shu-hong was a better winger than Hau Ching-to.

The Rest went into the lead in the first ten minutes when Evans broke through and beat Wong Wah-gay afterwards the lead was increased when Soong headed a Bickford centre into his own goal. A nice Chinese movement resulted in some exciting moments in front of the Rest citadel.

AROUND THE GROUNDS SCORING IN LOCAL SOCCER RETURNS TO NORMAL

(By "Abe")

Though one team (Medical Corps) scored eight times against Powhattan in the Third Division on Saturday, scoring in the Hongkong Football League returned to normal during the week-end. In 14 matches played on Saturday, a total of 48 goals was registered, a substantial fall from the opening weeks' figures.

BIGGEST UPSET

The biggest upset in the week-end programme was the defeat of South China "A" by Kowloon. I expected the latter team to put up a good show, but I certainly did not expect the Chinese to concede both points. It seems that the Caroline Hill side was attacking most of the time, but their inter-passing near the Kowloon goal-mouth, plus the incisive tackling of the Kowloon defenders prevented them from scoring. Furthermore, Rowlands in the Kowloon goal was in rare form, and saved one certain goal when he dived at Lai Shiu-wing's feet and took the ball away. Well done, Kowloon!

SEAFORTH'S BREAK SPELL

With several positional changes, Seaforths fared better on Saturday when they met Eastern at Causeway Bay and won by the odd goal in three. Still, the team, though successful, had plenty of room for improvement. A high wind played funny tricks with the ball and a good standard of play was out of the question. Eastern had had luck in that they had to play with ten men for the most part of the game owing to an injury to Chau Man-chi, on inside right, who had a nasty kick on the ankle. Another fine display was given by Sammy Tsang, the Eastern custodian, who is one of the most improved goal-keepers in the Colony this season.

SAINTS' FORWARD WEAKNESS

If the Saints are to win matches, they will have to start making improvements in the forward line right away. They are quite well-served in defence, but the inaptitude of their forwards in front of goal is their greatest weakness at the moment. David Leonard is not the same player that he used to be, and against Middlesex on Saturday he had a miserable match. Ward makes openings for his colleagues but even he is woefully weak in shooting. On at least one occasion in this encounter he had a chance to shoot, but instead of having a "go" he tried to slip the ball to Leonard in the centre, only to see one of the defenders clear with ease.

SAW AND PEARSON

The more I see of Saw and Pearson, the inside left and centre-forward respectively of the Middlesex Regiment, the more I like them. They have a fine understanding between them, and this was chiefly responsible for Saw scoring three goals against St. Joseph's on Saturday. The team has two fine backs in Watson and Jackson, and Thomas is as good a centre-half as one can find in the Colony at the moment.

RECORD RETAINED

As expected, South China "B" had little difficulty in keeping their 100 per cent record intact when they met Kowloon Chinese at Sookunpoo on Saturday. The Caroline Hill side was superior in every respect and could have scored more than three goals had they so desired. The Kowloon Chinese have not obtained a single point from four matches, and are definitely the weakest side in the First Division. They have to show a great improvement in order to hold their own.

GOOD CHARITY GAME

The charity game played yesterday for the benefit of the widow and family of the late Wong Shek-ping, Eastern full back who died recently following an injury, was well-attended and produced a fine standard of football. The Chinese were lucky to win by the odd goal in seven as the Rest team played with only ten men after the game had been in progress for 15 minutes. Costa received a nasty kick on the ankle and had to be out for the remainder of the match. But for Rowlands the Chinese would undoubtedly have scored more than four goals; he kept the Chinese out with many fine saves, and Webster was also a contributing factor against the Chinese.

TOO BIG A HANDICAP

Playing with ten men against a nippy set of opponents was too much

Empire Games

A team of nine has been provisionally selected by the Women's Amateur Athletic Association to take part in the Empire Games at Sydney next year. The athletes are: W. Jeffreys (Birkfield), L. Chalmers (Portsmouth Athletic), D. Saunders (Spartan L.A.C.), M. Holloway (Mitcham), K. Tiffin (Mitcham), E. Baby (Middlesex L.A.C.), D. Odum (Mitcham), D. Gardner (Middlesex L.A.C.), and either G. Lunn (Birkfield) or K. Connal (Leeds University).

A trial will be held to decide between Miss Lunn and Miss Connal, who are both javelin throwers. The first four are sprinters, Miss Tiffin a hurdler, Miss Baby a long jumper and Miss Odum and Miss Gardner high jumpers.

Olympic Games May Be Curtailed

Tokyo, Oct. 7.

The Japanese Olympic Games Committee officially announced to-day that owing to the Far Eastern conflict Japan was obliged to curtail her original plans for holding the 1940 Olympic Games. If the new stadium that had been planned is built at all, it will be far smaller than originally intended. It is moreover announced that the Games will be held in simple style corresponding to the "true Olympic idea."

The Japanese committee believes that even in the event of the Sino-Japanese conflict proving to be of so long duration that the Japanese government should be unable to afford financial support, the enthusiasm in Japanese sporting circles and the city of Tokyo itself would be great enough to enable the Games to be held.

MIDDLESEX TOO GOOD FOR ST. JOSEPH'S

FORWARDS MAKE THE MOST OF THEIR OPPORTUNITIES

(By "Abe")

Middlesex Reg. 3

St. Joseph's 2

If it was only because their forwards were more dangerous in front of goal, the Middlesex Regiment deserved their win by 3-2 against St. Joseph's at Sookunpoo on Saturday. Even in the other departments, the soldiers were superior, except perhaps in goal, where R. Marques showed up better than Berry though this was so probably on account of the fact that Marques had a great deal more to do and, therefore, had more opportunities to shine.

V. Costa, Hussain and R. Marques defended stoutly in the first period, during which the soldiers were all over the Saints. Backed up by Watson and Jackson, the two backs, the Middlesex intermediate line of Sheehan, Thomas and Wilkinson kept the forwards well-supplied with passes, and Saw, the inside-left, took advantage of them by scoring two goals in this half. Pearson led his line well, and it was indirectly due to him that the second goal was made.

Hussain worked very hard as centre-half for the Saints, but because his wing men did not give him the necessary support, he had all the three Middlesex inside forwards on his hands. Costa was the better of the two backs; Bowen found it difficult to maintain a footing, and was on the whole rather unreliable.

ALVES STAYS OUT

N. Delgado came into the team at the last moment as A. Alves, the

regular outside left, thought it inadvisable to play owing to a strained muscle. W. Sprinkle was given Alves' berth, while Delgado went to right half, where he gave a good account of himself.

The Saints' forward line was the most disappointing part of the team. Leonard, the centre-forward, was all at sea throughout the match and was so completely bottled up by Thomas that he never looked capable of scoring. Whenever he did evade the attentions of the Middlesex pivot, his ball control proved so poor that the other defenders had little difficulty in robbing him of the ball. Sprinkle was weak on the left wing, but as he was given a position entirely strange to him, his display was excusable. Ward did not try a single shot at goal throughout the whole game and Castillo was given few opportunities to shine. Gomes was the liveliest of the quintette.

The only man in the Saints' team who looked like being able to score was Costa, who first played centre-half and then left-back. It was he who opened the scoring for St. Joseph's and infused new life into the team, though he was unable to prevent the Middlesex from winning.

LEONARD MISSES CHANCE

A few minutes after the start, the Saints should have been one up, but Leonard with an open goal shot wide. The soldiers celebrated the let-off by taking the ball down to the other end and a nice movement was rounded off by Saw, who crashed the ball past Marques. The second goal was a rather lucky one. Saw apparently intended to pass to Pearson in the centre, but the latter got into a mix-up with Bowen at the goal-mouth and the ball rolled into the net with Marques unslighted.

At the resumption, Costa went to left back, Bowen to right, Hussain to centre-half, C. Marques to right wing and Castillo to left wing. The Saints then had more of the play, and with Hussain playing a robust game in the middle, the forwards had several chances to score. Every opportunity was wasted, however, through slowness in front of goal, and Watson and Jackson found it an easy matter to keep the ball out. It was not until a free kick was given for hands against a Middlesex defender just outside the penalty area that goal seemed near. Costa came up to take the kick and sent in a powerful ground shot which Berry reached but could not stop.

SAINTS EQUALISE

Thus encouraged, the Saints pressed for a long time and during a spirited attack Leonard sent Berry for possession and sent the ball past the advancing goal-keeper.

The Middlesex regained the lead in the very first minute of the kick-off through Saw, who passed the ball five yards from the goal-mouth, took deliberate aim and fired it into the right-hand corner.

No further scoring took place, but Castillo missed a glorious opportunity to put the Saints on level terms when he shot wide with only the goal-keeper to beat. This took place only a few seconds from the final whistle.

It was just as well that Castillo missed because a draw would definitely have flattered the Saints, who did not deserve a point from their display. Middlesex was decidedly the better team and would have been unlikely to share the points.

Teams:
St. Joseph's.—R. Marques; A. J. Hussain, J. Bowen; N. Delgado, V. Costa; R. Marques; T. Castillo; A. Ward, D. Leonard, J. Gomes and W. Sprinkle.

Middlesex.—Berry; Watson, Jackson, Sheehan, Thomas, Wilkinson, Freshwater, Coomer, Pearson, Saw and Britton.

PABLO DANO WINS

San Jose, Calif., Oct. 5.

Pablo Dano, 122, of Manila, former bantamweight champion of the Orient, was given the nod here to-night after a ten round bout with the Japanese battler, Umio Gen, 126, of Tokyo.

WEEK-END CRICKET FEATS

COLLEGE LEADS IN BATTING

Conducted By "Abe"

MANY fine feats were performed in local cricket over the week-end. Chief of them was the century by W. H. Colledge for the Civil Service C.C. against the Kowloon C.C. at King's Park—the third to be scored this season.

Colledge's 102 not out enabled the Civil Servants to beat their hosts by eight wickets despite the fact that the latter put up the respectable total of 164. J. E. Richardson helped materially in the victory by hitting up 40 and helping Colledge in an opening partnership of three figures.

At Sookunpoo the Indians defeated the Army by 71 runs. Players who distinguished themselves in this encounter were A. H. Madar (60), K. Nazarin (58), Lieut. Weedon (45) and A. R. Minu (seven wickets for 31 runs).

Madar and Nazarin took the total from 48 for two to 151 before the latter got out in trying to force the pace. Both he and Madar were in fine form and definitely had the upper hand over the Army—bowling when they were together. L/Cpl. Cheyne bowled better than his figures of one for 23 suggested, but perhaps the most interesting revelation in the Army attack was that in Lieut. Godby they have a very fine fast bowler, who will be very dangerous when he has had a little more practice. Possessing an easy action, Godby imparts a great deal of speed into his deliveries, and furthermore has the added quality of being able to disguise his variation of pace. He showed on Saturday that he still needs a lot of practice, however. Lieut. Weedon and Lieut. Beadnell, both of the Middlesex Regiment, are fine batsmen. The former got set in this match and hit up an attractive 45. Beadnell scored only 14, but he is obviously a good bat.

A. R. Minu, who is leading the I.R.C. this season, got in among the wickets and finished up with a "bag" of seven for 31—the best performance of the day.

Playing at Happy Valley, the Club de Recoletos obtained their revenge against the Citigenesover C.C.

Another Pearce promises to make a name for himself in local cricket. Following in the footsteps of "Tam" Pearce and Alec Pearce, J.L.C. Pearce is also a fine cricketer and is liable to do just as well as his father and brother. Playing for the Singles against the Married at the Hongkong C.C. on Saturday he scored 63. Unfortunately I did not see his innings, but from all accounts it was quite a good one. His brother Alec made 80 before retiring but "Tam" was out for a "blob."

A. R. MINU TOPS THE BOWLING

The following were the leading bowlers:

A. R. Minu (I.R.C.) v Army	7 for 31
L. G. Gosano (Recoletos 2nd XI) v C.C.C.	6 for 4
C. Brookes (Police) v I.R.C. 2nd XI	5 for 11
D. Cray (D.B.S.) v University	5 for 23
Hosegood (Schools) v C.C.C.	5 for 23
H. W. Baines (H.K.C.C. Singles) v Married	5 for 25
C. B. R. Sargent (D.B.S.) v University	5 for 30
Y. T. Darnley (I.R.C. 2nd XI) v Police	5 for 30
E. A. R. Alves (Recoletos 2nd XI) v C.C.C.	4 for 11
Pte. Gantzer (Army "B") v Army "A"	4 for 15
P. J. Billimoria (C.C.C.) v Recoletos	4 for 36
Capt. Mitchell (Army) v I.R.C.	4 for 38
C. W. Lam (C.C.C.) v Schools	4 for 45
G. A. Lee (C.C.C. 2nd XI) v Recoletos	3 for 8
G. Hong Choy (University) v D.B.S.	3 for 10
C. Pope (Police) v I.R.C. 2nd XI	3 for 16
A. T. Lee (C.C.C.) v Schools	3 for 17
G. A. V. Hall (K.C.C. 2nd XI) v C.C.C.	3 for 22
I. Ali (I.R.C. 2nd XI) v Police	3 for 26
Sgt. Parsons (Army "A") v Army "B"	3 for 29
K. L. Ng (University) v D.B.S.	3 for 30
J. Hynes (C.S.C.C.) v K.C.C.	3 for 34
A. M. Prata (Recoletos) v C.C.C.	3 for 48
D. McLellan (C.S.C.C.) v K.C.C.	3 for 60



A. R. Minu—Army batsmen were puzzled.



T. A. Pearce—he had to outdo a younger brother.

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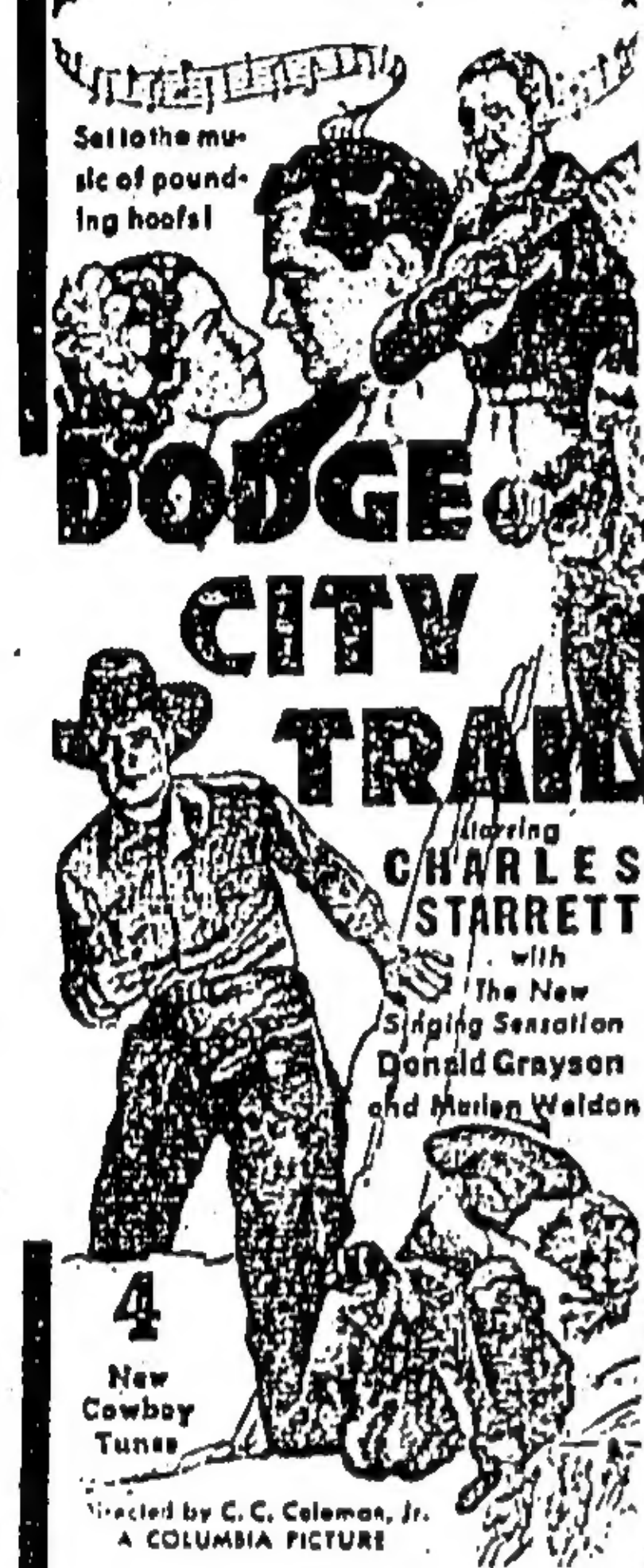
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PROGRESS

Mrs. Hicks Still
In Serious
Condition

Two of the victims of Saturday's motor-cycle accident near Shek-O are officially reported today to be making satisfactory progress and to have sustained no serious injury. They are

Lieut.-Commander R. C. Hovenden, R.N., Naval Ordnance Officer; and Pay-Lieut. J. O. Britton.

Mrs. A. Hicks, widow of the former editor of the Hongkong Telegraph, is still in a serious condition, though every hope is held for her recovery. She suffered a fracture at the base of the skull.

STORY OF ACCIDENT
Mrs. Hicks had gone for a drive to Big Wave Bay with her brother-in-law, Mr. S. J. Hicks, Managing Director of Arts and Crafts, Ltd., Shanghai, and Mrs. S. J. Hicks, but after a while left them to go for a walk up the road, the arrangement being that the car was to pick her up later. When her brother-in-law not long afterwards came on the scene in the car, he found that Mrs. Hicks had just been knocked down, and was suffering from injuries to the head, and shock.

Both of the naval officers were also seriously injured, and one of them was dazed, having suffered apparently through his head striking the road as he fell. No details of the mishap were available at the time, as Mr. Hicks did not wait to obtain further particulars, his one anxiety being to get his sister-in-law to hospital. When her brother-in-law not long afterwards came on the scene in the car, he found that Mrs. Hicks had just been knocked down, and was suffering from injuries to the head, and shock.

DANGEROUSLY HURT
It was learned on enquiry from a naval source yesterday that, Lieut.-Comdr. Hovenden, who is the owner of the motor-cycle, and was riding pillion, received multiple abrasions to the arms, legs, and body, with severe concussion and some damage to his spine. When taken to the Royal Naval Hospital his clothes were actually in tatters.

Although Pay-Lieut. Britton was fully conscious after the mishap, he is reported to be more gravely hurt of the two. He was driving the cycle at the time.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.	
H.K. Bank, \$1,555 b.	
H.K. Bank, (Lon. Reg.), £95½ n.	
Chartered Bank, £13½ n.	
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £33½ n.	
Mercantile Bank, C., £15 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$90 n.	
Insurance.	
Canton Ins., \$522 n.	
China Underwriters, 1¼ n.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$235 n.	
Shipping.	
Douglas, \$43¼ n.	
H. K. Steamboats, \$9 n.	
Indo-China (Pref.), \$51 b.	
Indo-China (Def.), \$43 b.	
Shell (Bearer), 98¼ n.	
Union Waterways, \$9.30 n.	
Docks etc.	
H.K. & K. Wharves, \$12 s.	
H.K. & W. Docks, \$20½ n.	
Provident (old), \$2 b.	
Provident (new), 35 cts. n.	
New Engineering, Sh. —	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. —	
Mining.	
Kailan Mining Adm., 14/0 n.	
Raub, \$9 n.	
Venz: Goldfield \$5 n.	
Philippine Mining.	
Antamok, P. 54	
Atoks, P. 18½	
Baguio Gold P. —	
Benguet Consol, P. —	
Benguet Explor, P. —	
Big Wedge, P. —	
Coco Grove, P. 52	
Consolidated Mines, P. 0.10	
Demonstrations, P. 30	
E. Mindanao, P. —	
Gumaua G'fields P. —	
Ipo Gold, P. —	
I.L.L. P. 57	
Ilogons, P. —	
Masbate Consols, P. —	
Min. Resources P. —	
Northern Min. P. —	
Paracale Gumaua, P. 23	

GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP OF
THE COLONY

The following are the starting times in the Amateur Championship of Golf Clubs of Hongkong organised by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club:

Old Course.	New Course.
8.30 a.m. D. S. Robb	v. W. A. Stewart
9.35 " G. D. G. Hull	v. A. A. Lopez
9.40 " F. D. Eaton	v. T. A. Pearce
9.45 " L. R. Andrews	v. J. J. Basto
9.50 " Col. H. H. Blake	v. A. J. Denis
9.55 " K. S. Robertson	v. E. Sndick
10.00 " D. S. Edward	v. D. J. Gilmore

ARE WOMEN'S PRIVATE GAMES
CLUBS DOOMED?

Urgent Need of Better Facilities

(By Marjorie Pollard)

In these days when everything is being done to urge all women and girls to play some game or other, I am almost afraid to fan the flame of enthusiasm, because the difficulties with which team games are beset are so numerous.

Every day I get requests from girls asking to be put in touch with a games club. I do my best, but I know that often those games clubs are forced by circumstances to have subscriptions that are prohibitive—their grounds are far away—and so quite half the requests I get end in disappointments.

There is no doubt that girls of school leaving age are very keen to go on playing team games. They have had coaching, and also they have tasted that satisfying joy of being one of a team, doing a job of work to a common end.

DIFFICULTY OF GROUNDS

It matters not whether the clubs are hockey or netball—after quite an exhaustive look round, I find the difficulties are the same. Also, I would like to make it very clear that neither of these Associations have any paid officials. All work is voluntary, and is done mostly by people who are doing full-time jobs of importance as well.

The greatest difficulty is still that of suitable grounds. Rents and upkeep have gone up so tremendously that unless something tangible is done with all speed the private club is doomed. Also, have you noticed how much farther out of the town playing-fields are creeping? This means that it now costs money to get to the fields to play.

This increase in cost all has to go on to the subscription, because women's clubs do not stand or fall by the number and generosity of a list of vice-presidents. The only clubs that can stand this cost are those which are attached to and subsidised by factories, offices, colleges; and such to the ordinary games player are "closed" clubs.

Does this mean that in time all clubs will be representative of some office, factory, or college? Is the club that is the joint effort of a set of friends doomed?

Unless something is done to counteract the cost of a playing field, I

am afraid it is. Or could not "closed" clubs take, say, 25 per cent. of outsiders? A little leaven of this kind could do no harm, and it would help tremendously.

A great many unattached clubs are looking to the various parks committees as their salvation. Would that all such committees were like those at Ramsgate or Southend-on-Sea, where team games players thrive abundantly, and where their needs are appreciated.

My experience has been that park committees think in terms of football pitches, cricket pitches, swings, seesaws, little baskets, cloak-room accommodation for men, and then if there is a spare corner taking the drainage, let the girls play netball on it.

IGNORANCE OF MEN

There is among men, even men games players, a sublime ignorance and a naive blindness to the fact that women and girls do play games at all—or that they have any desire to do so.

This, too, is typical. Not so long ago I was watching some boys kick a football about on the roped off, duck-boarded (used once a week) football pitch in a public recreation ground. The groundsman seeing them, waxed exceeding wrath and yelled, "Come off that, and go and play on the girls' hockey!"

In all public recreation grounds there is room for men. Can the same be said about the women? I know also that where grounds are available, there is no dressing accommodation on a Saturday afternoon. I know that the fastidiousness and natural modesty of the young games player are often nearly outraged by the lack of this changing accommodation.

ROOM FOR EXPANSION

The time is ripe for this team games expansion. The girls are eager to play. Will they, and ought we to ask them to, face expense, the weariness of getting there, the poor changing accommodation?

Yes, should, because it is up to us to see that the future is bright. Team games provide—al at once—companionship, exercise, fun and healthy topics for thought and conversation.

Let us then foster them all we can.

Salacot Mining, P. —	
San Mauricio, P. 56	
Suyoc Consol, P. 10½	
United Paracales, P. 56	
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$5 b.	
H.K. Lands, \$30 s.	
H.K. Lands, 4½ Deben. \$100 n.	
Shal. Lands, Sh. —	
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —	
Humphries, \$8½ n.	
H.K. Realities, \$4.50 b.	
Chinese Estates \$88 n.	
China Realities, Sh. —	
China Deben, —	

Public Utilities.	
H.K. Tramways, \$13¼ n.	
Penk Trams, (old), \$5 b.	
Penk Trams (new), \$2½ b.	
Star Ferries, \$9 n.	
Yau-mai Ferries (old), \$22½ n.	
China Light, \$10.80 n.	
China Light (new), \$10¼ n.	
H.K. Electric, \$52¼ b.	
Macao Electric, \$18 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$14¼ n.	
Telephone (old), \$24.75 n.	
Telephone (new), \$8 n.	
China Buses, Sh. —	
Singapore Tractions, 23/0 n.	
Singapore Pref., 23/— n.	

Industrial.	
Cald: Mack, (old), Sh. —	
Cald Mack, (Pref.), Sh. —	
Canton Ices, \$1.00 n.	
Cement, \$12.10 s.	
H.K. Ropes, \$3.80 n.	

Stores, &c.	
Dairy Farm, \$4¼ s.	
Walson, \$4 s.	
Lane Crawfords, \$8.00 n.	
Sinceres, \$1.50 n.	
Wing On (K.H.), \$40 n.	
Wm. Powells, 40 cts. b.	

Cotton Mills.	
Ewo Cottons, Sh. —	
Shai Cottons, (old), Sh. —	
Zoong Sings, —	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —	

Miscellaneous.	
H.K. Entertainments, \$5.00 n.	
Constructions (old), \$1.60 n.	
Constructions (new), \$1.03 n.	
Vibro Piling, \$4¼ n.	
Ch. Govt. 5½ 1015 GSBds. 90¼ n.	

H.K. Govt. 4½ Loan 7¼ prim. n.	
H.K. Govt. 3¼ Loan 13¼ n.	
Wallace Harpers, \$5 n.	
Marsmans Inv., (Lon.), s/- 20/7½ n.	
Marsmans, Ins., (H.K.), s/- 4/9 s.	

WARSHIPS
GOING ON
EXERCISE

Cruiser To Join
Submarines In
H.K. Manoeuvres

A number of His Majesty's ships on the Hongkong Station leave today for exercises in adjacent waters.

With H.M.S. Dorsetshire, cruiser, and H.M.S. Thracian, destroyer, five submarines go to sea this morning. To-morrow the big aircraft carrier Eagle goes to sea to join in the manoeuvres. Her planes may be seen over Hongkong from time to time.

On Wednesday other submarines are proceeding to sea.

The submarines leaving port today are: Regulus, Grampus, Rorqual, Phoenix and Percuss.

30 Japanese Warships
Near Hongkong

Canton, Oct. 18 (8.35 a.m.). According to information emanating from foreign sources, 30 Japanese warships are now anchored off the South China coast in the vicinity of Hongkong.—Central News.

Supper Dance
Swells War
Relief Funds

The Kowloon Tong Garden City Association Clubhouse was a centre of attraction on Saturday, when a buffet supper dance was held to raise funds for the relief of the wounded in North China.

Over 200 members and their friends were present, the dance hall being decorated with coloured flags and bunting, with numerous tables dotted around the floor.

Much of the success of the dance is due to the hard work of the energetic secretary, Mr. Henry Chan, and to the many young ladies who helped to sell sweets and dispose of raffle tickets during the course of the evening.

The amount raised for the relief funds will be approximately \$600.

Among the artists who contributed to the evening's entertainment was Miss Edna Goo, who accompanied by the Walkiki Trio, well-known to radio listeners, sang several Hawaiian selections. Hawaiian dances were presented by the Misses Lillian Tom and Elsie Choy. Other numbers were given by Miss Alice Tsang, who sang "Moonlight and Shadows" and "Strangers". Master Chan Yinkong, though only eleven years of age, delighted the crowd with the song "Rainbow on the River".

Supper was served at mid-night, and dancing continued until a little after one in the morning to the strains of Mickey's Melody Makers.

SHEK-O GOLF
Results Of Annual
Championships

The 13th Annual Shek-O Golf Championship took place yesterday and the result is as follows:

1st.—O. E. C. Marton, 77 plus 74 = 151.	
2nd.—Major E. J. R. Mitchell, 74 plus 78 = 152.	
3rd.—H. R. B. Hancock, 78 plus 78 = 156.	
4th.—Major A. S. Johnstone, 80 plus 78 = 158.	

The morning Bogey Pool resulted as follows:

1st.—D. B. Evans, 80 minus 8 = 72.	
2nd.—Major E. J. R. Mitchell, 74 Sc. 74. H. R. B. Hancock, 78 minus 4 = 74. R. M. Henderson, 80 minus 6 = 74.	

The afternoon Bogey Pool resulted as follows:

1st.—Dr. C. H. Burton, 76 minus 7 = 69.	
2nd.—R. K. Valentine, 77 minus 4 = 73.	

FANLING GOLF

For the Bogey (Par) Pool at Fanling on the Old Course on October 16 and 17, there were 22 entries. No cards were returned.

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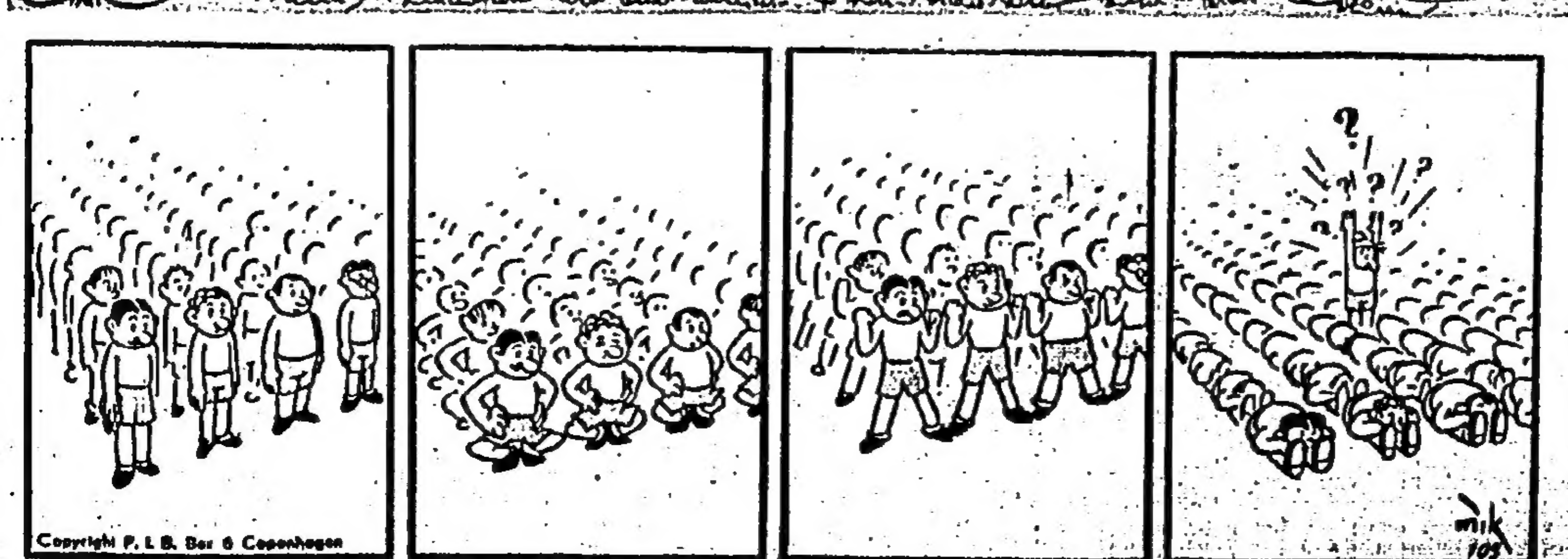
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JAPAN'S "Official" FAITH

(By Lewis Spence)

AS a student of religious origins I have often reflected on how little is known in England regarding Shinto, the official faith of Japan. Japanese victories in the field are usually announced as being due to the "excellent" virtue of the Emperor, and the precise significance of this and similar phrases which embellish the official language of Nippon must naturally be obscure to the majority of British readers.

Islam we know and Buddhism we know, but what is this system of religion which has done so much to inspire the Japanese official classes in the struggle for commercial and territorial conquest which they have proposed to themselves?

Shinto (the word is pronounced as "Shinto") means "The Way of the Gods," and is really a Chinese word, the Japanese equivalent of which is Kami-no-Michi. Shintoism is, in effect, the native polytheistic nature-and-ancestor worship of the Japanese people, and was, indeed, the only religion of the country until Buddhism was introduced in the sixth century of this era.

The two faiths very naturally clashed, but the difficulty was got over by the Buddhists admitting that the Shinto gods were manifestations of their own deities. Buddhists' Compromise

This admixture came to be known as Ryōbu-Shinto, and for nearly a thousand years it remained the State religion of Japan. But Buddhism made amazing progress in Nippon, so that the bulk of her millions were, and still are, of Buddhist faith.

But in the course of last century, when Japan began to adopt Occidental methods of progress, a great wave of natural patriotism surged across the country. The aristocratic and official classes, their rapid Westernisation notwithstanding, were anxious to stress and preserve everything that avouched of a national or racial origin.

So, with the assistance of skilled native theologians and antiquaries, they disentangled the pure doctrines of Shinto from the partly Buddhist type of it which then obtained, and set it up once more in all its pristine purity as the State religion of the country.

The whole economy of Shintoism is animistic; that is, it is a religion devoted to the worship of spirits, ancestral and elemental. It has almost no ethical code, any statement or code of morality being deemed unnecessary for persons of reason and understanding.

Yet a plenty of outlook and statement, reminiscent of the Chinese, has gradually crept into it, of which the bulletins of Japanese Generals and Admirals are among the most salient examples. Its gods and sub-gods are practically innumerable, tradition roughly assessing their number at "from eighty to eight hundred myriads."

The chief deities are, quite logically in a Nature-religion, the gods of the sun, moon, and earth, of the elements, of the house, and of the most abstract quality and origin. This belief is, of course, merely an extension of the primitive idea that everything in Nature has a soul of its own, which is known to students of comparative religion as "the doctrine of spirits."

In Scotland, in ancient and pre-Celtic times, the aboriginal folk would appear to have possessed a faith very similar in its general features—a system of thought which left its remnants and traditions in the belief in fairies, who, we now know, are chiefly ancestral shades, the spirits of those dead who dwell in trees, rocks, and caves awaiting rebirth.

Along with these greater divinities are associated deified kings and heroes, but in Japan scarcely any object escapes having a spirit or god attached to it, from the wind that sweeps across the cherry orchard to the heaviest and heaviest of the hills.

But the central, effective, and official position in this spiritual galaxy is that of the Imperial dynasty, which is descended from the most important Nature gods. The Emperor himself is its high priest par excellence, and certain castes of priests among the hereditary priesthood also claim a divine ancestry.

Indeed, as time proceeded, the ancestral portion of this system of belief became paramount, and it is not improbable that this influence is chiefly of Chinese origin.

Shinto temples are severely plain, and idols are practically unknown, the representations of gods in Japanese art being due almost entirely to the debased Chinese version of Indian Buddhism which was introduced into the islands.

But each Shinto shrine dedicated to a god contains the statue, or "god-body," of the deity, the symbol of his majesty, or "august soul." This may be a stone or a pillow or, indeed, any sacred object.

Above all, Shinto is a domestic religion, every house having its shrine, at which offerings are made daily with scrupulous piety, and the usual consist of food and drink for the spirits of the family ancestors. Many Festivals

The festivals of Shinto are numerous. The outstanding examples are those at harvest time and blossoming, at the ingathering of rice, and at the New Year. They are usually accompanied by music and dancing, and are observed as national holidays.

The idea of a future life is dim, and no very definite idea of a place of reward and punishment is to be found in the Shinto creed.

As Lafcadio Hearn, one of its earliest English exponents, wrote, it

Who'd be a Film Star?

by
P. L. Marnock

FANTASTIC salaries, fame infinitely wider than has ever been achieved before, and work so glamorous that it seems to most people a glorified kind of play—that is the lot of those semi-real folk the film stars.

A few months ago, Marlene Dietrich sailed back to Hollywood with £50,000, her salary for her first British film, "Knight Without Armour," and is reported to have netted an extra £25,000 or so for overtime.

Incomes of the stars for last year have been estimated pretty accurately by official investigators. There seem to be round about 40 who are in the big money class. Some seem to get a lot more than others.

Bill Crosby, with his £65,000, and Eddie Cantor, with £35,000, net a fair proportion of this from radio; but this is not so with Warner Baxter's £41,000, Joe E. Brown's £34,000, James Cagney's £30,000, Ronald Colman's £32,000, Kay Francis's £45,000, Leslie Howard's £37,000, Fred Astaire's £28,000, Paul Muni's £30,000, or Stan Laurel's £31,000.

ARE they worth it? On merit, of course not. Nobody really thinks so, unless he is either a lunatic or a hypocrite. Intelligent stars admit as much to me when I get to know them well enough. The studios admit it very forcibly at times.

Britain's Lord Chancellor, with his £10,000, or a £5,000 Cabinet Minister, may or may not be worth it. Young miners at 22s. 6d. a week and young cinema attendants at 9s. a week are common enough. Surely they are worth a good deal more? Economists say "No."

It is only another example of competitive civilisation in practice. There are thousands of miners and factory girls, but only one Ginger Rogers, for whose services plump, solemn men in horn-rims will fiercely outbid each other.

Fundamentally, the whole thing is nonsense; but the number of young women who would gladly exchange places with Ginger Rogers is as the sands on the seashore.

Those who envy the lives of the stars may be interested to know a few of the drawbacks. Who would be a film star, indeed?

FIRST, a private life is practically impossible. Feeding, travelling and dwelling normally are out of the question. Mobbing, however flattering, is soon intolerable.

Your telephone number must be kept dark unless you relish constant pestering, not only by admirers, but also by unpleasant grafters, blackmailers, sex-maniacs and cadgers of all kinds. In your fan-mail these may be stemmed by other people.

Greta Garbo never receives less

Today's Thought

THERE is only one success—to be able to spend your life in your own way.
—CHRISTOPHER MORLEY.

FREED GIRL RUNS FROM DOCK, KISSES HER MAN FRIEND

London, Sept. 12.
Mature twenty-five-year-old company director and first woman to face an Old Bailey share-pushing charge, ran from the court to kiss a man friend when she was freed after two and a half days in the dock.

She had been found not guilty, and discharged on the direction of the Common Sergeant Mr. Cecil Whiteley, K.C. A friend said: "Miss Brander was in tears when she telephoned her mother and told her the good news."

ACCUSED WITH COLONEL
Miss Dorothy Brander was accused with Lieut. Colonel James Harvey Brown, D.S.O., fifty-seven-year-old company promoter, at whose office she worked, and William Robinson, seventy-three-year-old salesman, of conspiring to defraud and of obtaining cheques, totalling £7,725 by false pretences. Brown and Robinson have pleaded

"represents the pre-Homeric stage of imagination as regards the supernatural."

There can be little doubt that Shinto possesses affinities with Chinese aboriginal religion. It seems to be an almost atrophied form of that phase in the evolution of religious

than 2,000 letters a day, and sometimes as many as 8,000. A star's mail, dealt with by a staff, may include 100 demands for attendance at some function, 300 heartrending but spurious appeals for charity, 200 plots by amateur authors, and all kinds of queer requests.

When a star works, she works. A studio day means rising at 6.15, being made-up by 7.45, acting scenes many times over, both for rehearsal and camera "takes," with a hour's lunch break, often late at night.

WHILE on a picture, time outside the studio is divided between sleep and preparation for the next day, odd moments being snatched for hairdressing, interviews and seeing snippets of the picture in the rough.

So nerve-racking is picture-making, with its alternate spells of monotony and feverishness, that a personal existence is to all intents and purposes obliterated.

Even between pictures it is apt to be curtailed. For, quite apart from the public demands that are made, you cannot do as you like in your own time, contracts forbid it.

Supposing something happened to you, and you could not work! All sorts of clauses are put in. Clark Gable is not allowed to play polo; neither is Robert Montgomery nor Leslie Howard. Tennis is barred to Claudette Colbert. They found she lost weight when she played. Sometimes an exact weight is demanded when a film starts. Gary Cooper must not drive his car above a certain speed; Ruby Keeler must not skate. Many young stars must not sun-bathe. Tan is ruinous to that camera complexion.

YOU must not marry, either, if a contract says "No." I doubt if this clause is very general. Mountain climbing is forbidden Sylvia Sydney and Bette Davis. Going to sea in a boat less than 40 feet long is quite a common ban.

Warner Baxter is not allowed to carry a gun—I don't know why. W. O. Fields must not play golf; it might bring on his spinal trouble.

A star who draws (say) £10,000 a year has a good many expenses which whittle it down a bit. These, I know, are in practice unavoidable:

Agent's commission	£1,000
Income Tax	£3,000
Other Taxes	£1,200
Manager	£700
Wardrobe	£700
Maid or Valet	£300
Wigs and Make-up	£100
Publicity	£200
Advertising	£200
Total	£8,100

If you happen to be a British subject, you pay income tax all over again in this country as well. The item of wardrobe only applies to clothes worn in pictures, not to your own private wear; and the "advertising and



MARLENE THE MONEY-MAKER
netted £75,000 for one British-made film.

publicity" includes space bought in one or two of the little Hollywood "scandal sheets," which thrive on what is virtually blackmail.

Your own life means a certain amount of entertaining on top-scale lines. For your career, if it is to continue, means that it is as hard work to stay on top as it is to get there—perhaps harder.

UNLESS you are a comedian or a strong character actor, it will be a condensed career, anyway.

Youth and beauty, as poets have observed, do not last for ever, especially in front of the camera's searching eye. Your own little world, no less than the vast world of your millions of fans, must be constantly impressed by you. Or so the theory goes. The result is that the star spends a fair amount of time in worrying about the future.

A wrong judgment, a bad film or two, an important person slighted, or an incident magnified into scandal, and you slip back instead

of going forward. Once you decline, you toboggan, as a rule, into comparative obscurity.

While you last, however, you are a demi-god. People will surge round you in curious, half-crazy worship. Some of them will venture to touch your skin, as if you were something magical instead of, as a rule, a very ordinary human being who owes far more to luck than to ability.

I do not suggest stars are not clever. Some of them are brilliant. But it must be a little frightening to be known to most people on the planet; much as a monarch feels when he realises his head is on the coinage.

IN fact, the whole business of screen fame must be an unspeakable strain. Personally, my heart bleeds for the illustrious victims. For all the money, it's a dog's life, isn't it?

Or is it? Let us not deceive ourselves. Who would be a film star? Why, anybody would.

THE CINEMA IN RUSSIA

In Russia to-day there are 28,600 cinemas, as against 1,005 in 1917, and, though there is a tendency in cities where alternative entertainment is provided to support the theatre in preference to the cinema, the expansion of the Russian film industry is steadily proceeding. In 1936 attendances in cinemas throughout the Soviet Union numbered 650,000,000. These facts are contained in a report on the Russian film industry published in the journal of the British Association of Cinematographers. The report has been prepared by Mr. Thorold Dickinson and Mr. Alan Lawson, two members of the general council of the association, who were given every facility by the Soviet Government to examine the position of the industry.

The report does not review in detail the films seen by the visitors, but reference is made to one or two recent productions. The film most enjoyed was *The Last Night*, directed by M. Ralsman, which told an exciting story of Moscow during the night before the first day of the October revolution. The scenario, it is reported, was well arranged, and the predominance of product over dialogue and the welcome presence of a thread of comedy made it possible to follow the film with a minimum of linguistic interpretation. The story described the events which linked two families during that night: one was a working-class family with every member well characterized and acted, the other, a wealthy family of the professional class, with every member lacking character. This attitude to those not in sympathy with the prevailing order turned a promising drama into commonplace propaganda.

The proper development of the Soviet film industry, the report continues, will be handicapped so long as the present policy remains unchanged. "The present vigilance in time have to be relaxed in favour of a regular exchange of ideas and product with the world outside."

The trouble with the opera film was that, while the Russians were strong in differentiating between the technique of the stage and the screen, they had not yet been jolted out of an undue reverence for opera, and the adaptations from one medium to another were inadequate. It is just this jolting, this constant international flow of ideas and expert personnel, which has made Hollywood pre-eminent in screen entertainment, superficial and insincere though Hollywood too often is. In England the presence of a reasonable proportion of foreign film experts is not re-

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The plan to produce by 1938 an annual output of 1,000,000,000 ft. of film stock will certainly not be fulfilled, the report adds, but "it is safe to say that by now the Soviet Union is able to produce sufficient stock for its own requirements. In general, the quality has not yet reached the highest standard achieved abroad, and the leading Soviet cameramen are allowed to use European and American stocks when the subjects chosen demand delicate or exacting pictorial effects."

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Japanese "Barbarism" Denounced

10,000 Persons Join Demonstration in Trafalgar Square

Meeting Demands Official Action

London, Oct. 17. Japanese "barbarism" and aggression in China were denounced at a London Labour Party and London Trades Council demonstration, attended by 10,000 people, in Trafalgar Square to-day.

Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Opposition, said they had to be vigilant against the brutalisation of the world which was now going on. What they were now seeing was an attack by brutal imperialism on a great nation, and there was no shadow of pretext for it.

The meeting passed a resolution calling on the British Government to prohibit Britons from selling war materials or lending money to Japan, and to co-operate with other nations in imposing economic financial pressure designed to end Japanese aggression.—*Reuter*.

CONGRATULATE ROOSEVELT

London, Oct. 17. A mass meeting of over 2,000, including the Lord Mayor, held at Hull to-day, enabled a message congratulating President Roosevelt on proclaiming democracy a positive ideal, and advocated closer unity of all free-democracy-loving nations.—*Reuter*.

RAILWAY RESUMES SERVICE

Three-Days Idle Due To Bombing

The Kowloon-Canton Railway has resumed its service to Canton, this morning, after having to suspend running for three days owing to damage to its tracks near Sheklung, on the Chinese section of the railway.

Trains are running to schedule, it is learned. The morning express left here at 8.33 a.m. and reaches Canton at 11.50 a.m. There is a fast train at 12.50 p.m. reaching Canton at 4.37 p.m., while the afternoon express leaves here at 3.32 p.m. and arrives at Canton at 6.44 p.m. Two slow trains also run to Canton, one leaving at 8.54 a.m. to arrive in the Chinese city at 6 p.m., while the other leaves at 1.50 p.m. to arrive at 7.36 p.m.

The morning express from Canton at 8.15 a.m. arrives here at 11.25 a.m., and the afternoon express at 3.35 p.m. arrives at 7.18 p.m. The Canton fast train leaves at 1.10 p.m. arriving here at 4.51 p.m. The morning slow train from Canton leaving at 8.40 a.m. reaches here at 12.43 p.m., while another slow train leaves at 8.45 a.m. arriving here at 5.38 p.m., according to schedule.

RIVER STILL CLOSED
With the closing of the Canton-Kowloon Railway on Saturday, steamship companies with boats plying between Hongkong and Canton revived their plea to the Canton Military authorities to re-open the Pearl River.

Some shipping concerns suggested that their steamers should be escorted up the river by warships of their respective nationality, but no settlement has been reached, as enquiries from several local shipping firms this morning elicited the information that they had no knowledge as to whether the Pearl River had been re-opened, and that none of their vessels were sailing or were scheduled to sail for Canton in the next few days.

RIVER SERVICE RESUMED
Nanking, Oct. 17. Butterfield & Swire and Jardine, Matheson announced to-day that tomorrow the Nanking-Hankow passenger and freight services would be resumed.

The services were suspended following the closure of the river at Chinking and the opening of hostilities at Shanghai.

Only a limited number of vessels, which have been bottled up in the Yangtze, will be put on the service.—*Central News*.

PROGRESS PLEASES GERMANY

Non-Intervention Policies Of France, Britain Realistic

Berlin, Oct. 17. A semi-official commentary indicates that Germany regards favourably yesterday's Non-Intervention Committee proceedings.

The British and French representatives' speeches show they took into account the seriousness of the situation insofar that they appeared anxious to proceed along a realistic line of policy, declared a commentator.—*Reuter*.

102 RESCUED WHEN SALVAGE SHIP ARRIVES

Luhsing Swung Into Deep Water When Shore Lines Parted

The crew of the Luhsing, numbering 52, together with 50 coolies, were near to death last night when the vessel swung from the rocks where she was driven during the typhoon of September 2, and only two shore cables prevented her slipping into 50 feet of water.

Rockets were fired and an S.O.S. sent out at 8.30 p.m.

The strong tide and north wind had swung the lightened ship, and hawsers snapped under the great strain with the freshening blow until only two were holding her precariously. She had life-saving apparatus aboard for only 70 hands.

One of the several tugs standing by, the Edith, raced for Hongkong to bring help, and the Henry Keswick, meanwhile, had hurriedly departed for the north-eastern point of Lantau Island where the wreck had lain safely for six weeks.

At 11.10 p.m. the Henry Keswick came alongside the Luhsing, and her powerful assistance enabled the salvage crew to bring the damaged freighter to Hongkong.

She was in Cosmopolitan Docks this morning.

Safe In Drydock

The Henry Keswick performed a remarkably fine piece of work in bringing the vessel safely to drydock, officials at Cosmopolitan Docks said to-day. The Luhsing was tipped open from stem to stern on her port side, her five holds were filled with water and her engine-room flooded. Where she lay on the rocks she appeared to be a total wreck to machines passing.

In addition to the damage sustained when she struck, the Luhsing was twice crashed by steamers during the typhoon. One of these damaged her above water-line, below the bridge, the other stoving in her plates aft.

Her bows are badly buckled. The full extent of the damage will not be known until a full survey has been carried out, for up to now only divers have been able to go inside the ship.

The Luhsing is a 2,445-ton steamer, owned by the Chung Shing Steamship Company.

STOP PRESS

CHARGE CHINESE USING POISON GAS

According to a communiqué issued by the Japanese Consulate-General here to-day, the following despatch has been received from Tokyo.

"Indisputable proof, showing use of poison gas by Chinese forces came into hands of the Japanese forces at Shanghai."

"According to official information received at the Foreign Office to-day, the Japanese forces picked up a 95 mm. shell of a Chinese trench mortar at Taipingchiao, one kilometre to the north-west of Luchihang, which lies about eight kilometres to north-east of Nanshang. Minute chemical inspection of shell by experts which had been carried on for some time, at last established on October 15 beyond any shadow of doubt that it is a shell of dreadful phosgene gas. Japanese fighting in Shanghai have hitherto had various reasons to suspect that Chinese have been resorting to the use of poison gas. Their suspicions have now been fully substantiated."

LU HSING DAMAGE ABOUT \$200,000

It was learned late this afternoon that the crew of the Lu Hsing numbering 52 and 80 coolies were aboard the ship when the vessel swung from the rocks last night and was in danger of sinking in 50 feet of water.

An examination of the ship in the drydock shows two large dents, about 20 yards wide, on the port side, under the engine-room. Her bows are buckled below the water line. Damage is estimated at over \$200,000, and repairs will take about one month.

CHINESE BOMBS IN HONGKOW

Shanghai, Oct. 18. Chinese air raids last night coincided with infantry attacks on various sectors, but the Japanese claim to have successfully repulsed them.

The Japanese school in Range Road, which is being used as Japanese barracks, narrowly escaped a Chinese bomb, which fell on the Settlement Isolation Hospital opposite, which the Japanese have taken over. The Japanese announce that twelve civilian patients in the hospital were injured.—*Reuter*.

British Burn Arab Homes As Reprisal

Terrorism Still Spreading

Jerusalem, Oct. 17. British troops, acting under the orders of their commander, Major-General A. P. Wavell, burned Arab terrorists' homes at Lydda in retaliation for Saturday's burning of the airport buildings.

Sixty people have been arrested in Lydda for violation of the curfew, and the main highways are dotted with machine guns. However, terrorism has continued to spread.

An ambush fired on a bus carrying workmen to Jerusalem from the American-owned quarry near Motza. There were no casualties.

Many expect that martial law will be proclaimed within a day unless the violence subsides.

An ambush fired on a Jewish private automobile on the Jerusalem-Tel Aviv highway. The car overturned and four occupants were injured. When an ambulance came to the rescue this was also fired upon.

A Jew was killed in the Messianic Colony near Tel Aviv.

An Arab was stabbed to death by an old Jew in the old city of Jerusalem.

The British authorities forbade the Jerusalem newspapers to mention the Grand Mufti's escape, which he effected disguised in Bedouin robes, and accompanied by 20 armed subordinates. It is believed he has fled to Turkey.—*United Press*.

Apprehension Allayed

U.S. Not Considering Military Measures In Far East

Washington, Oct. 17. The apprehension felt last week that the United States was involved in military activities as a result of participation in the Nine-Power Conference seems to have been dispelled as a result of the wording of the Belgian invitation. Officials of the State Department point out that the specific purpose of the conference is to "examine the situation in the Far East, and to study peaceable means of hastening the end of hostilities." It was also said that the United States delegation undoubtedly would not proceed beyond the bounds set by the invitation.

Simultaneously the State Department reiterated that the United States is not considering military measures of any kind. Meanwhile it is strongly indicated that the United States will leave the conference if it undertakes to consider an international military punitive force, or other direct measures. This, apparently, is in response to newspaper criticism of the Administration, especially in the Midwest, where peace sentiment is very strong.—*United Press*.

RELIEVED OF HIS DUTIES

Moscow, Oct. 17. Internal Trade, has been relieved of his duties. It is semi-officially announced that M. Smirnov has been appointed his successor.—*Reuter*.

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LABOUR POSITION DISCUSSED

Hyde Park, N.Y., Oct. 17. President Roosevelt to-day conferred with Miss Frances Perkins, Secretary of Labour, on the general labour situation, including the proposed new wage-hours legislation and the peace moves being made by the Committee of Industrial Organisation and the American Federation of Labour.—*United Press*.

CHINESE IN U.S. BACK BOYCOTT

San Francisco, Oct. 18. Hundreds of Chinese took part in a boycott demonstration in Chinatown last night. They held up traffic, carrying banners inscribed "Enforce the Nine-Power Treaty." Japanese stores closed early in the evening.—*United Press*.

NOTED AUTHOR'S WIDOW DEAD

Dorchester, England, Oct. 17. The death has occurred of Mrs. Florence Dugdale Hardy, widow of the famous author, Thomas Hardy.—*United Press*.

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